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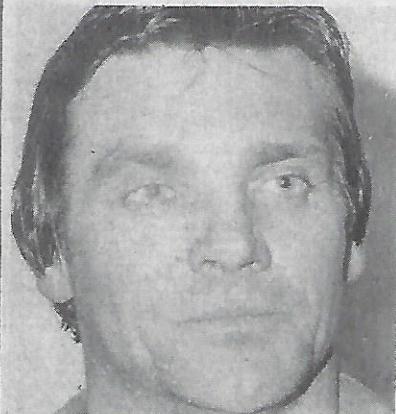
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Leszek Dzielakowski, former Motor Lublin captain, now goalkeeper of Polonia (Vic.).



By LAURIE SCHWAB

A composite Polish-sponsored team from Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide for the Philips League! It's an idea we kick around at the St. Albans home of Leszek Dzielakowski, the giant goalkeeper of Polonia Maribyrnong.

Janusz Przybyla, Polonia's latest recruit from Motor Lublin, is there too and he's just as enthusiastic about it as Dzielakowski.

Polonia's team manager Wally Kain and other club officials have

been considering the possibility for some time. Adelaide's Polonia also is keen on the idea.

The three clubs could retain teams in their respective State Leagues after releasing their top

## Polonia stars back ambitious concept

players to the Polish PSL team. A whole new market would open to the PSL.

"If it could be done, such a team would be among the leaders in the Philips League," Dzielakowski says through his young son Paul who's acting as interpreter.

The top Polish players from Melbourne, Adelaide and Sydney showed what could be done when they got together to win

the Solidarity Cup in Canberra.

That team included Stanczyk, Kozar and Kolecki from Adelaide, Galas, Sobczyk and Galowski from Sydney and Dzielakowski, Kryzinski, Smolarek and the Czaplinski brothers from Melbourne.

At the moment, Polonia-Maribyrnong is concentrating on helping establish a big Polish community club at Albion but by the end of the season, according to Wally Kain, the time may be ripe for a round-table conference between the three cities.

Meanwhile, Dzielakowski and Przybyla turn their attention to the world soccer scene and to Polonia's return to the Victorian State League after winning the First Division championship last year.

We're talking to the men who, arguably, are

Polonia's top two players. Dzielakowski was by far the best goalkeeper in the First Division and he's sure to be the best in State League as well.

In fact, from what I've seen of him, Dzielakowski is the finest goalkeeper we've had in Victoria since Willie Schriff (Slavia) and Jack Reilly in his prime.

Dzielakowski is 33 but looks older — a bear of a man, but a shy one too. Przybyla, 31, is similarly quiet. It is the under-achievers who move their mouths the most. These two have done it all. Their reputations speak for them.

Both played for Motor Lublin — Dzielakowski for eight years, five as captain, and Przybyla for seven years, two as captain. Dzielakowski represented Poland at under 18 level against Sweden, Norway and Denmark. Przybyla was an under 21 representative against Czechoslovakia and Norway.

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18 REPLAYS AND THE FINAL LIVE

# ABC to show World Cup

The Australian Broadcasting Commission has won exclusive rights to televise the World Cup finals in June and July.

The ABC will show one-hour highlights of 18 matches within 24 hours of them being played in Spain.

And it will broadcast the final live on July 11.

Although the package will give Australian viewers a comprehensive

overview of the World Cup, it is disappointing that there will be only one live coverage.

In other recent World Cups Australia at least was given a live coverage of the opening match and part of the opening ceremony.

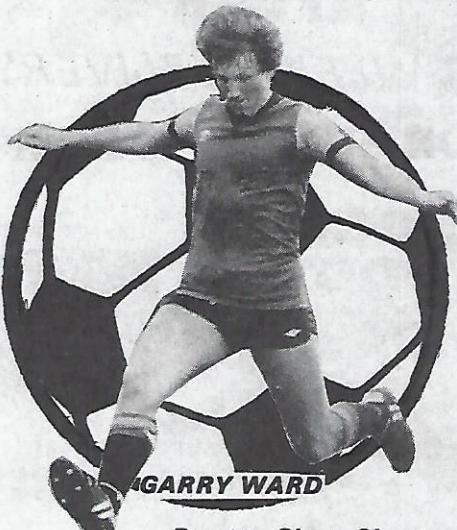
And there is no reason why a few of the important second-round matches should not be shown live, especially if they involve countries like Italy, England, Yugoslavia, Scotland or Germany, which all have a strong following in Australia.

The ABC has a grip on the finals because it is the only Australian network that is a member of the Asian Broadcasting Union — and it is the ABU that has won exclusive rights for this part of the world.

Meanwhile, television coverage is expected to be part of a sponsorship package to be announced by the Australian Soccer Federation in Sydney today (Wednesday).

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# Dzielakowski, Przybyla: part of a dynasty

## From page one

Before joining Motor Lublin, both were in the Legia Warsaw squad that won the 1969-70 Polish championship. Also in that squad were the heroes of the 1974 World Cup — Kaz Deyna, Robert Gadocha, Leslaw Cimkiewicz. Przybyla had more senior games than Dzielakowski that year, because Grotinski was the No. 1 goalkeeper.

And so, these two perpetuate the dynasty of top-class players who have come to Australia from Poland — a dynasty that includes stars of the past like Vic Janczyk, Marian Gasior, Ziggie Gadecki, Mike Jurecki, Kaz Kowalec, Andrzej Zientara and Eddie Janowski.

Yet another star is on the way. He is Stefan Mila from Vardia: an excellent midfielder.

It is the ambition of most Polish players to try their luck overseas. To do so, they have to apply to the Polish federation which gives permission only to the best (after they turn 30) — obviously to protect the reputation of Polish soccer abroad.

As much as Dzielakowski would like further to enhance that reputation, he does not believe that Polonia-Marienborg can win another championship this year.

"We need a better goalkeeper," he quipped.

More to the point, Po-

## 'Top teams like Hellas and Heidelberg could play in the Polish First Division.'

Ionia could do with two defenders, and one forward, he adds.

On the credit side, Brendan Lakic, top scorer last season, has improved further on that form and Dzielakowski rates the midfield of Peter Czaplak, Johnny Wallace and Ryszard Skulski as the strength of the team.

At the moment, however, Sekulski — who a few weeks ago almost joined Western Suburbs — Marian Jaworski and Kevin Innes (ex-Altona) all are injured.

Alex Marshall has been moved back into the defence and he is a good stopper," Dzielakowski says. "But he is not as good as last man. He played last man a couple of times but Andy Czaplak is better there."

Tad Kryzinski may be about 34 now, but he'll continue to be effective in attack. "He has a good head," says Dzielakowski.

He agrees that Polonia does not have tough players, apart from Marshall, but doesn't see that as being necessarily a drawback. "We play a passing game, on the ground, and that suits the

players. I like English football. It is good to watch but usually that style is no good when they play against Continental teams."

Their preferred style is reflected in the fact that ball-playing Liverpool is the favorite English team of both Dzielakowski and Przybyla.

In Poland, Dzielakowski and Przybyla were full-time professionals, playing in top company in front of crowds of over 20,000. How do such players feel when they step into the comparatively uninspiring atmosphere of soccer in Australia?

Dzielakowski is embarrassingly frank.

"The first couple of games, I felt shocked. It was like picnic soccer like friendly games. The soccer was easy. There were no good players, no smart players. Gary Cole

**'The first couple of games, I felt shocked. It was like picnic soccer. There were no good players, no smart players ...'**

from Heidelberg is a good forward — he's cheeky and fast — but there are no players like that in the First Division."

He likes the Philips League, though.

"Top teams like Hellas and Heidelberg could play in the Polish First Division," he says.

"Sydney Olympic and Sydney City — the team with Kosmina — are very good too. I like some players from



Janusz Przybyla (standing, third from right) at Motor Lublin. Back row, from left: T. Kaminski (assistant coach), B. Waligora (coach), I. Lorenc, R. Dobinski, J. Szoszak, K. Woktowicz, R. Chaberak, T. Cypka, K. Witkowski, W. Wiater, B. Macik, J. Przybyla, R. Sowinski (trainer), M. Tucowicz (trainer).

Front row: R. Walczak, J. Jagiello, M. Leszczynski, D. Opolski, Z. Kalinowski (now Polonia Sydney), H. Swietek, W. Futa, A. Pop.

final. Dzielakowski is sure that Brazil will win the Cup, but he can't say which team will be the other finalist.

Przybyla is new to this scene, but for Dzielakowski the move from Poland to Australia has brought with it a dramatic change in life-style.

"In Poland I only played soccer — I trained twice a day, five days a week and then there was the game on the weekend. Here I get very little from soccer and I have to work hard in a factory. In Poland, when top players finish playing, they get work in the sport, maybe as a coach or working in other ways for a club. Others finish university while they are playing, and then they can get a job.

"But I and my family have decided to stay in Australia. I have bought this nice house and my

Come June, all at Polonia, in company with soccer fans everywhere, will turn their attention to Spain. Dzielakowski and Przybyla would love to see Poland repeat, or possibly improve on its feats of 1974, but neither of them is optimistic.

"In 1974 Poland really played well and if it had been a dry day, we would have beaten West Germany to qualify for the final. The new team is not as good as the one we had in 1974. We may get to the semi-finals, but no further," Dzielakowski says.

He has inside knowledge of course, having played against the likes of Boniek, Smolarek, and Iwan and having been a team-mate of Zmuda at Motor Lublin.

Incidentally, both Dzielakowski and Przybyla agree that Boniek is Poland's No. 1 player. Wasn't there some talk of Polonia bringing Boniek to Melbourne?

Dzielakowski: "Here a player gets \$3 training money. In Poland Boniek gets \$3000." Enough said.

It's not to Australia that Boniek will be heading, but rather to AS Roma.

*If Boniek is Poland's No. 1, who is the best player in the world?*

"Maradona," says Dzielakowski without hesitation.

"Rummelinge and Maradona," Przybyla can't separate them.

*What of the world's No. 1 coach?*

"The one who succeeds in winning the World Cup will be the world's best coach," says Dzielakowski.

Przybyla doesn't have to wait that long. "Jupp Derwall of West Germany," is his answer. "I have seen West Germany play in Poland and they are very good."

And which nation will win the World Cup?

Przybyla predicts a West Germany v Spain

## Brazil, West Germany or Spain will win the World Cup; Maradona and Rummelinge are world's best players

family can live comfortably here. The situation in Poland is very bad now, and anyway, you cannot change nationality every three years.

"When I finish playing, maybe I can coach a team here. But first I must learn to speak better English. Maybe I can coach and my wife can translate to the players ..."

The method of players' payments behind the iron curtain always intrigued me, so I seek clarification from Dzielakowski.

"It has changed now in Poland," he says. "Before, it was different. Sponsors — big companies — used to pay the players. Not it is the clubs that pay them directly. But

before the money, it is important that you love your sport. If you love the sport and you become very good, then like a good engineer or a good architect, you are rewarded with good pay."

As for Przybyla, he will wait and see. He has signed with Polonia for two years. At the moment he intends to go home after that period, but if he likes it, he'll stay.

Meanwhile, Przybyla, who scored 16 goals for Motor Lublin in the Polish First Division last season, and Dzielakowski, the king of the goalkeepers, will keep spectators enthralled at both ends of the pitch throughout the 1982 season.

**'The best State League team is Sunshine. Those players are very hard and very fit.'**

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## Canberra, Marconi bid for Herbert

**Unable to secure a contract with English First Division pacesetter Southampton after a two-month trial, New Zealand World Cup central defender Ricki Herbert may well be playing PSL soccer in 1983.**

Canberra City, Marconi and West Adelaide already have approached the tall Australian, but he is content to continue with Mount Wellington on a no-contract basis this season and then hopes to attract the attention of European clubs during the World Cup.

Should the 20-year-old fail in this last-ditch attempt to break into full-time football, it seems certain he will take up one of the Australian offers.

While one Kiwi international appears destined for Australia, another three have returned home.

**Watford for NZ**

It has been confirmed that English Second Division club Watford will take part in New Zealand's World Cup build-up programme.

The "Hornets" will meet the Kiwis on May 22, 26 and 29, while the League of Ireland earlier had been secured as the opposition for games on May 8, 12, 16 and 19.

It is envisaged that three games will be organised en route to Spain. Negotiations for these fixtures are still at an early stage, but current Portuguese League leader Sporting Lisbon is almost certain to appear on the itinerary.

Unless these plans are dramatically revised, the Australian-based Kiwis will miss ten rounds of the PSL.

Duncan Cole ended months of speculation by signing for his former club Hanmer North Shore United after two seasons with Canberra City.

Cole cited personal reasons for his decision. He was known to have been unhappy with the role George Murray gave him in the ACT team and also his job outside soccer.

Brian and Grant Turner also are back in New Zealand after undistinguished stints in Australia.

Gisborne City celebrated signing the two prodigal sons with a 2-0 victory over champion Wellington Diamond United in the first round of the Rothmans' National League.

Ricky Herbert

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As English (naturalised) humorist George Mikes once said: "Once a foreigner, always a foreigner. A criminal may improve and become a useful member of society. A foreigner cannot improve."

Not only a foreigner — let us add — but even offsprings, if you believe a well-known Sydney TV commentator.

Last week, referring to a rugby league incident between Krilich and Peponis, he brushed it off in his inimitable style.

"It's nothing serious," he said, "these Yugoslavs and Greeks have been fighting for ages."

Of course, both Krilich and Peponis are Australian-born who have kept their family name. Slinfily, it appears.

The ancient omen of "foreign names" has been hanging over soccer's collective head for decades.

It has been used by a largely xenophobic media as a deterrent to "decent" Australian parents: Let your kids play wogball and see what company they pick up.

The kids themselves don't care; the parents do. And so do schoolmasters who are still perpetuating the classic anti-soccer bias.

There is no solution, really, unless we force second and even third generation citizens to change their names.

And that's been done before; to, I remember in the 1930s and 1940s (yes, yes, I was alive through a child) my native Hungary underwent such a psychotic abberation.

First division players had to change their names to "pure" Hungarian ones; if they refused, then their clubs simply renamed them.

Thus Stefancsik became Saroff, Tanzec became Tancos, Ticsko was Tittos, Tungold became Tancs and so on.

When, in the 1940s, the Aryan Laws took a firm grip on central Europe, Jewish players all had to Hungarianise their names not to "offend" public sensibility.

It simply amazes me that soccer, in this free country of ours (yes, I said OURS) may have to consider such a step to appease the few super-bigots, such as that semi-iliterate TV commentator.

The moment they hear names like Jankovics, Kousas, Raskopoulos, Glampando, Nyskolas and Bozanic, through a primitive process of word association they think of "foreigners".

Pictures of new settlers are conjured up in their Neanderthal-like minds, arriving in rags with their possessions tied to their backs, reeking of garlic and singing sad folk tunes.

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What should we do? Should we ask every soccer reporter in the country to take part in a large-scale public education program and write like this?

"In the 37 minute Mark Jankovics (born Sydney) crossed the ball to Theo Selemidis (arrived at age of two) who flicked the ball to Glampando (born Canberra) and his shot zoomed into the net off Alan Maher (born Bankstown but he would have rather not been)."

Is it truly necessary to have an Anglo-Saxon sounding name — is this some sort of a throw-back to the discredited superiority complex of the 1930s?

Is Australian society accepting foreign names in science, the arts, big business, even politics — but not in sport?

Are all the bigots of this great nation congregated in sporting associations and the sports desks of newspapers and TV studios?

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I guess this vague, hesitant, not clearly thought-out Anglo-Saxon bid must have been born in the subconscious of all those people who have been preaching the need to change "foreign" club names.

It's not new: ASE marketing and Arthur George have no monopoly on this.

The now defunct NSW Association started it in the early 1950s, then the NSW Federation made a few feeble attempts and finally the PSL made it a law.

But I guess that all along, all through these years, it wasn't really the club names that appeared "offensive" but the names of foreign-sounding players, officials and even spectators.

And since these couldn't be changed only in some deranged dictatorship, the next best was to wipe out the club names, the collective terms, without denying individual rights.

If some of the simple-minded purifiers in our midst believe for one moment that this has changed the character of Australian soccer, they are crazier than we thought.

Had the Australian government felt the necessity of keeping this country pure-bred, Anglo-Saxon and Protestant, it wouldn't have admitted all non-qualifieds.

But it has. And so we have the Krilichee, Peponies, Glampando and God have mercy on their soul for their temerity in not changing over to a nice, simple Smith.

ANDREW DETTRE  
(Naturalised)



Billy Williamson at Aberdeen. Standing from left: Drew Jarvis, Willie Miller, Davie Robb, Bobby Clark, Willie Young, Andy Geoghegan, Ian Hair, Eddie Thomson, Chic McLelland. Front row: Duncan Davidson, Billy Williamson, Walker McCall, Billy Pirie, Joe Smith, Arthur Graham, Ian Purdie.

## Williamson aims to outdo Gary Cole in PSL

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Brisbane Lions' secret is out. If striker Billy Williamson can't score up front they'll move him to fullback, a position from which he scored 10 goals in a Scottish season with giant Aberdeen.

Okay, so four of the goals were from the penalty spot, but if you can score 10 goals from such a position in the professional world of Scottish football it makes a mockery of a meagre target of 20 goals in the 1982 PSL.

That's what Lions' goal ace is after this season and he looks destined to surpass that target with ease.

Heidelberg striker Gary Cole is the man Williamson picks as his biggest threat to finish the season as the leading PSL scorer.

"I like Cole's style. He's strong, has a deceptive turn of pace and he's direct," said Williamson.

The Lions striker is well credentialed as a judge of goalscorers. He has a hat-trick to his name against mighty Glasgow Celtic during one of more than 200 first team appearances chalked up in eight seasons with Aberdeen.

Williamson is a member of the "Aberdeen Mafia" which in recent times has infiltrated Australian soccer in near saturation proportions. Hellas stars George Campbell and Jim Shirra retired Lions' sweeper Jim Hermiston, Sydney City Hakoah coach Eddie Thomson, Canberra coach George Murray, Canberra players Ian Gibson and Ian Purdie, Preston Makedonia dynamo Doug Brown and former APIA striker Billy Pirie are other members of the clan.

"It must have been the cold weather in Aberdeen which sent us so far south," quips Williamson. "I'll tell you what though, you could make up a darn good team from that lot."

Aberdeen didn't win Williamson's signature easily. The talented 15-year-old spent three days at Ibrox Park, home of Glasgow Rangers, before Aberdeen scout Bobby Calder contacted him and took him to Pittodrie for two weeks in the summer of 1982. A further two-week stint convinced the Dons that the young striker was their man.

Williamson signed from Ayrshire junior side Kello Rovers where he had his first senior appearance as a raw 14 year old.

Williamson's first season with Aberdeen was spent in the reserves. He got his first team chance the following season as a striker. Once established he found himself having to cover for injuries to key defenders by switching back to fullback and he also played in midfield from time to time.

The highlight of his stay was playing in the Aberdeen team which beat Glasgow Celtic 2-1 in the Scottish League Cup final in front of 80,000 chanting fans at Hampden Park.

Williamson played fullback for Saturday afternoon in 1982 and tangled with Celtic and Scotland stars Bobby Lennox and Kenny Dalglish.

Four years later Williamson returned to Hampden, this time wearing a Dundee strip but going down to neighbour Dundee United. Again the occasion was the League Cup final.

While with the Dons the skilful Williamson was managed by controversial Ally Macleod, the man who guided or misguided Scotland's assault on the 1978 World Cup in Argentina.

"Ally Macleod was all for himself. Anything to do with publicity and he'd jump in and do the job, rather than having players involved."

"In terms of organisation, Scotland was a mess under Macleod. The Press didn't help either. Every day the people in Scotland were picking up the papers and reading that Scotland was near unbeatable in Argentina. It was Scotland this and Scotland that, so obviously everyone thought they were getting through the first round of games with a national disaster."

"But under Jock Stein things will be different. In fact I think Scotland will perform better than the other two British teams (England and Northern Ireland) in Spain."

"I'd have to say that Stein is the best Scotsman for the job, part of Scotland's downfall is that it always picks a Scotsman as national team manager. We should take a leaf out of the book of some European countries. Hire the best manager — irrespective of his nationality."



Crack Schalke 04 defender Wilson Djoni, the man being chased by

# Latchford returning

Heidelberg-Alexander will have something particularly special to look forward to when it plays Brisbane Lions at Richlands in July — star Swanside striker Bob Latchford.

Lions directors last week confirmed that Latchford had accepted an invitation to have a second four-match guest appearance in Brisbane.

Latchford, then with Everton, played for Lions last season.

The powerful centre forward, who played 17 times for England, is expected to arrive in Brisbane in time to play the local derby against Brisbane City at Richlands on June 20.

His other two matches will be away games against Newcastle and St. George and the home tie against Heidelberg.

Latchford will have fond memories of another Melbourne team which he helped Lions thrash in his opening game last season. The big striker scored two goals in Lions' 4-0 win over Footscray JUST LAST MAY.

And it was also against a Melbourne team, Hakcah in a Philips Cup game, that Latchford broke down with a hamstring injury.

When he finally recovered from the injury thanks to a local acupuncturist, Latchford played his last game for Lions against South Melbourne Hellas at Richlands and scored one of the two winning goals.

At the time of his acceptance Latchford had scored 14 goals for Swanside as the Welsh club maintained its bid for the English First Division championship.

Latchford told Lions directors he had been untroubled by the hamstring injury this season and in his first fixture back in England after last year's visit, he scored three goals inside the first 10 minutes for Swanside.

Lions players are looking forward to Latchford's visit, none more so than Ron Millman, who broke his leg only minutes into the Footscray game.

If Millman can maintain his current good form until June then his speed, combined with the finesse of Billy Williamson and the power of Latchford will give Lions one of the most devastating attacking combinations in the league.

Latchford finished his stint with four goals last season.



Billy Williamson

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3 (3) PRESTON MAKEDONIA	2 1 1	9 3	1 2 1	5	6	14 9	9		
4 (7) HEIDELBACH	3 1 0	8 3	1 0 2	4	4	12 7	9		
5 (2) Sydney C. Hakoah	1 1 1	3 3	3 0 1	8	4	11 7	9		
6 (8) St. George Budapest	3 0 1	6 3	1 1 1	4	6	10 9	6		
7 (4) St. Melbourne Hellas	3 1 0	9 2	1 1 2	6	7	15 9	8		
8 (5) Brisbane Lions	2 0 1	11 6	0 3 1	4	6	15 12	7		
9 (10) West Adelaide Hellas	1 1 1	4 2	0 3 1	4	6	8 8	6		
10 (9) Marconi-Datsun	2 1 0	7 2	0 1 3	1	7	8 9	6		
11 (13) Brisbane City	2 2 0	8 5	0 0 3	1	1 1	9 16	6		
12 (10) Adelaide C. Juventus	1 2 1	7 5	0 1 2	3	6	10 11	5		
13 (12) Canberra City	1 2 1	6 7	0 1 2	3	8	9 15	4		
14 (14) Newcastle KB United	1 1 2	4 6	0 1 2	3	8	7 14	4		
15 (15) Footscray J.U.S.T.	0 3 1	4 5	0 1 2	2	9	6 14	4		
16 (16) Wollongong	1 0 2	5 8	1 0 3	3	10	8 18	4		

## PSL TEAM OF THE WEEK

Total appearances in brackets

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## Shake-up for Hellas, Olympic to face APIA

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Philips League challenger South Melbourne faces a shake-up if the team continues to drop points.

President Sam Papasavas says that a serious talk will be held with the coaching staff to try to pinpoint the reasons for the club's drop to seventh position.

Hellas last year was the only serious challenger to Sydney City Hakoah for the PSL premiership but so far this season has won only three of its seven matches.

"We have given away too many points and we can't afford to give away any more if we want to have a chance to win the PSL title," he said.

"More goals have been scored against us in the first seven games than for the whole of the first round last year."

Papasavas said the team is unsettled and going through a difficult stage caused by changes.

"We are not playing attractive football and have reverted to defensive play which has enabled other teams to draw or beat us," he said.

Hellas led 1-0 against J.U.S.T. on Sunday but seemed content to coast with its advantage, allowing J.U.S.T. to attack and eventually score the equaliser.

"J.U.S.T. was not a strong team and our defensive errors are causing problems, similar to when we were beaten by Sydney City," he said.

"We may still have a good year, although last year's top scorer Alan Evans is not in form yet and we will be missing the skill of Steve Woodburn during the World Cup finals in Spain," said Papasavas.

Woodburn has been out of action with injuries, and came of at half-time against J.U.S.T. with further problems.

He will make his last appearance for Hellas on May 2 against Adelaide City before leaving for the World Cup.

Yet the face of the PSL top four could change dramatically after Sunday's round when the top four teams confront each other.

Hellas stands to gain greatly provided it accounts for George Murray's Cambers.

Two points to Hellas and a draw between Preston Makedonia and Connor Reserve would push Hellas above its rival in the table.

The top-of-the-table battle at Pratton Park between exciting Sydney Olympic and Willie Wallace's all-conquering APIA should be the best drawcard of the round.

Sydney City Hakoah should close the gap on league leader APIA by defeating third-bottom Melbourne visitor Footscray J.U.S.T.

The Connor Reserve confrontation could end up in a stalemate.

Makedonia and Heidelberg battered each other almost to a standstill in this year's Victorian Ampol Cup until the second half when Heidelberg played Makedonia off the park and ran out a convincing winner.

A highlight of this encounter should be the battle between Heidelberg's defender Jimmy Rooney and Makedonia counterpart Alan Whittle.

Makedonia will base most of its hopes for victory upon the finishing ability of Doug Brown and Gary Ward.

Provided sweeper John Yzendoorn maintains Heidelberg's discipline at the back Makedonia will find goals at a premium. Rugged George McMillan probably will be given the task of trying to tame blond striker Gary Cole. They should have a stirring physical battle. The service to Cole is all important here.

Olympic and APIA may have to settle for an even share of points at Pratton Park.

Olympic's lack of top-class organisation at the back is ominous against lively APIA striker Marshall Soper.

Surely Footscray J.U.S.T. can't snatch a point from Sydney City Hakoah's grasp at the Sydney Athletic Field.

J.U.S.T. will be defensive, understandably so, but Sydney City star keeper Steve Woodburn in a slick, well-drilled outfit if John Kosminski, Kenji Boden and the Hakoah midfielders can't break down the J.U.S.T. barrier.

Two Italian sponsored clubs clash at Marconi Stadium on Sunday and visitor Adelaide City could surprise the home side.

With David Mitchell fit and sharp Bob D'Offitt's outfit boasts one of the best strikers in the land.

Tony Henderson's return to midfield gives Marconi much needed quality in this area but City's four-man midfield may blanket the home side here and get enough of the ball to set up Mitchell in match-winning situations.

Brisbane City shattered what threads of credibility it had left when it knocked off Sydney City Hakoah in Brisbane last weekend.

Indeed Nero Saffich's side after its dismal showing the previous week against Hellas. Obviously there's a Jeckyll and Hyde quality to City which must be considered when previewing its fortunes.

That being the case, it's possible that West Adelaide could thump the living daylight out of City. I doubt it though, but Alan Vest's lads should continue on the crest of the wave whipped up by their S.A. Ampol Cup win over rival Adelaide City and their fine draw with league leader APIA last weekend Sydney.

I'm starting to believe that Wollongong is capable of picking up quite a few points this season, so I'll change my tune and pick Ken Morton's side to beat visitor Newcastle KB.

Brisbane Lions and St George look destined to draw on Saturday night. Both goalkeepers could be in the thick of the action against Lions' ace striker Billy Williamson and St George goal machine Des Marton.

### IN MELBOURNE

Preston Makedonia v Heidelberg (draw) at Connor Reserve, Sunday, 3pm.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v Canberra at Middle Park, Sunday, 3pm.

### IN SYDNEY

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH v Footscray J.U.S.T. at Sydney Athletic Field, Sunday, 3pm.

Sydney Olympic v APIA Leichhardt (draw) at Pratton Park, Sunday, 3pm.

### IN WOLLONGONG

WOLLONGONG v Newcastle KB at Wollongong Showgrounds, Sunday, 3pm.

### IN ADELAIDE

WEST ADELAIDE v Brisbane City at Hindmarsh Stadium, Sunday, 3pm.

### IN BRISBANE

Brisbane Lions v St George (draw) at Richlands, Saturday, 7.30pm.

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HEIDELBERG 2 (Campbell, Macleod) BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Olympic Park. Votes by Peter Deela: 8. Campbell (H) 5. Low (Lions) 4. Rooney (H) 3. Yzendoorn (H) 2. Scanlon (Lions) 1. Macleod (H).

AIA-LEICHHARDT 0 WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 at Lambert Park. Votes by Alex Vesic: 6. Dunn (WA), 5. Gray (APIA), 4. McGachey (WA), 3. Pullen (APIA), 2. Bradley (APIA), 1. Honeyman (WA).

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 1 (Cozzella) SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Egan) at Schintler Reserve. Votes by Laurie Schwab: 6. O'Reilly (JUST), 5. Jovanovic (JUST), 4. Stevenson (SM), 3. Hazebert (JUST), 2. Ilioski (JUST), 1. Nikolaidis (SM).

BRISBANE CITY 2 (Palikas, Bohan) SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 1 (Patikas) at Spencer Park. Votes by Ricky Rose: 6. Liddell (BC), 5. Mullen (SC), 4. Bohan (BC), 3. Murray (SC), 2. Glockner (BC), 1. Patikas (SC).

Leaders: 27. Katholos (SO). 24. Stone (St. Gi), Soper (APIA).

23. McGachey (WA). 22. Northcott (AC). 21. Dunn (WA), Yzendoorn (H'berg). 20. Brown (Mak). 19. Boyle (Mak). 18. Connor (BC), Bradley (APIA).

16. Marton (St. G.) 15. G. Campbell (SM), Williamson (BL), Barton (St. Gi), Bortogna (W), Redfern (SO), R. Wilson (Mak). 14. J. Campbell (H'berg). 13. Egan (SM), Tokesi (BC), A. McMillan (H'berg).

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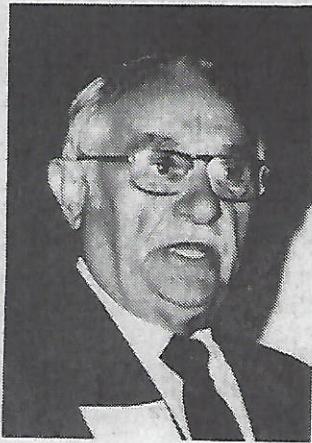
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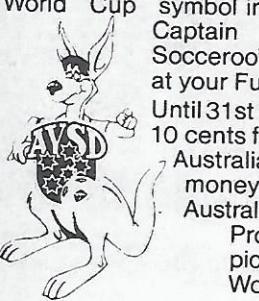
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# KB's Kaiser dumps Col Curran

## Newcastle 1 Makedonia 1

Scorers: McClelland 62nd (NI), Brown 64th (M).  
Ground: International Sports Centre.  
Crowd: 2,965.

Cautions: Mason (NI), Fox (M).

Referee: Ken Small 6.

NEWCASTLE: Dando 7, Endecott 7, Tredinnick 7, Smyth 7, Sneddon 7, Mason 7, Dooley 7, Stamp 6, Lowe 8, Jones 8, McClelland 6.

MAKEDONIA: Wilson 7, Fox 6, Beech 7, Petrovski 6.

McMillan 7, Todorovski 7, Flavelle 6, Boyle 8, Whittle 7, Brown 7, Ward 7.

KB coach Ken Kaiser dropped a bombshell on the morning of this match when he announced that former Socceroo Col Curran would be left out of KB's line-up for disciplinary reasons.

Curran's place was taken by Neil Endecott who acquitted himself well.

However it was a dull, uninspiring game by KB gained a valuable point as it fights to escape from the lower reaches of the PSL table.

Preston obviously came to

Newcastle looking for a point end at least, in that respect, was successful.

But a packed defence and midfield adds very little to the spectacle especially when played by two sides which haven't got an over abundance of skill in their ranks.

Nevertheless Newcastle should have taken both points and only lack of composure in front of goal prevented the locals from going in at the interval with goal.

The second half was considerably reshuffled with Craig Mason taking the place of injured Joe Senakalski in the mid-



**Joe Lanzoni**

field and Trevor Smyth coming in as sweeper, a role more to his liking.

The first half was almost totally without incident except for the already mentioned couple of chances and if it was

a boxing match Newcastle was ahead on points.

That mainly was due to the hard work put in by strikers David Jones and David Lowe backed by an equally hard working midfield but above all by the reluctance of the Preston team to come out of its defensive shell.

The second half fortunately was a little brighter with Richard Wilson being brought into action by Jones soon after the resumption.

Then some good work by Doug Brown on the right side saw his cross find Gary Ward

but his header was well over the bar.

Three minutes later Ljubo Petrovski was forced to head out for a corner to prevent Jones from scoring.

A goal was imminent and it came two minutes later when Jones, this time on the right, crossed a great ball which found McClelland with plenty of room. The Newcastle midfielder had a couple of attempts before beating Wilson.

The cheers had hardly died down when Brown, receiving a long clearance from the defence, shook off John Sned-

don and beat the advancing Phil Dando to equalise.

Newcastle should have gone ahead shortly afterwards when a Mason 20 metre drive was parried by Wilson and teenage striker, Lowe should have despatched the ball into the empty net, but crashed it onto the crossbar and watched it rebound to safety.

Second before the final whistle KB keeper Dando had to fling himself to his right to prevent Ward from scoring after Alan Whittle had done all the spadework in the penalty area.

# Defence a problem, Mitchell to leave?

## Adel. City 2 Syd. Olympic 3

Scorers: Mitchell 27th, J. Nyskohus 65th (Adel City); K. Wilson 54th, 60th, Ramkopoulos 36th (Sydney Olympic).  
Ground: Olympic Sports Field.

Crowd: 3564.

Cautions: Flounders, Northcote (Adel City); Kousas (Olympic).

Referee: Graham Neal 7.  
ADELAIDE CITY: JUVEN-TUS: Ferguson 6 — B. Nyskohus 8, Banfield 7, Flounders 7, Russell 6 — Melte 6, Northcote 8, Dods 7 — Villani 6, Mitchell 7, J. Nyskohus 7.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: P. Wilson 7 — Rogers 7, Ziras 8,

Rowden 7, Scott 7 — Raskopoulos 8, Katsikas 9, Phillips 8 — Jennings 8, Kousas 7, K. Wilson 8.

Having resisted the temptation of slotting in new English recruit Neil Banfield for the previous game against St George because he didn't want to make unnecessary positional changes, Adelaide City coach Bob D' Ottavi did just that for the match against Olympic.

The result was a shock 2-3 loss to the rampaging young Sydney Olympians.

Banfield, a Crystal Palace teenager, picked up the World Youth Cup last October.

For his PSL debut he took over the sweeper's position (the same role he played in

England's bronze medal match against Romania) with Buggy Nyskohus returning to full back.

This meant that Glen Dods moved into the midfield in place of captain Gary Marocchi who was dropped. These changes had an unsettling effect on City's previous solid defence, though things went smoothly for City for the first 30 minutes.

But once Olympic moved into gear late in the first half, City's defensive deficiencies were painfully obvious.

It remains to be seen what tactics D' Ottavi employs against Marconi on Sunday.

He must surely find a place for the tall, strong midfielder Chris Marou and seriously think of restoring his defence as it lined up against St George, which was comprehensively beaten 3-0 a week ago.

Olympic coach Doug Collins, who named himself as the side's substitute, has no such problem.

His well-drilled team is obviously going places, even if it did look out of rhythm early.

City, after its loss to West Adelaide in the Ampol Cup final on Wednesday night, got just the start it wanted when David Mitchell lobbed the ball

over Peter Wilson in the 27th minute.

This goal was Mitchell's 15th PSL score and quite possibly one of his last for the club. Sydney Olympic president John Constantine had talks with Adelaide City during the weekend on the possibility of Mitchell transferring to Sydney.

Mitchell is the only Adelaide City player who has not signed a contract for the season.

Olympic, showing signs of a revival after a tentative opening, equalised in the 36th minute when Peter Raskopoulos, who along with Peter Katholos dominated the midfield, with a crisp angled drive.

Olympic went ahead nine minutes after the restart when Graham Jennings, a problem to Bobby Russell all day, crossed to Ken Wilson who calmly stroked the ball into the net.

Wilson struck again in the 60th minute with a neat header after a cross from the right.

City did not look as if it had the spirit to come back but a dubious decision allowed it to bridge the gap five minutes later.

John Nyskohus appeared to be one of two or three players in an off side position as he slammed the ball wide and low of a diving Peter Wilson.

Referee Graham Neal looked long and hard at his linesman but with the flag lowered he had no option but to allow the goal.

With Brian Thorold urging City on it appeared that City might still have a point, but the stars eventually went out of their game and Olympic held out comfortably.

# Stone inspires the Saints

## St. George 2 Marconi 0

Scorer: Marton 2.

ST GEORGE BUDAPEST — Fitter 7, Skeen 8, O'Shea 7, Rutherford 7, Barton 7, M. O'Shea 7, Stone 7, Marconi 7, Williamson 7, J. O'Shea 8, Marton 8. Replacement: Ernie Campbell (for Barton 7m).

MARCONI — DATSUN: Maher 8, Bozanic 7, Budini 6, Prakalo 6, Calderon 7, Henderson 7, Hunter 8, Duvnjak 6, Silva 7, Licata 7, Colicchio 6. Replacement: Attili Carboni (for Duvnjak 69m).

Referee: A. Boskovic 9. Crowd: 2892 at St. George Stadium

If anyone had doubts as to why Peter Stone is St George captain, they would be erased by his superb wet-weather display.

By TED SIMMONS

play in the St. George 2-0 over Marconi at St. George Stadium.

Stone is not a flamboyant extrovert, who appeals to the Gods when something goes wrong. He just keeps on going, defending and attacking and it was these attributes which sparked St. George to its win after scoreless first half.

The teams looked ready for a battle when they ran on to the field, and then the skies opened and turned the ground into a skating rink. Players slipped, skidded and scattered as the spray put a damper on clever football and reduced the first half to kick and scramble.

St. George decided there was nothing to lose in pushing forward and used the heavy boot to get the ball into Marconi territory.

The first real chance came in the 10th minute when teenager Robbie Slater, in his first PSL match, lifted a perfect cross into the box where Paul Wilkinson incredibly missed the ball a mere five metres from the goalmouth, with Marconi keeper Allan Maher caught in the middle.

The international experience of Allan Maher was all that saved Marconi from a bigger defeat, and his dives to the feet of advancing strikers cut off at least three goals.

Henderson added some backbone to the Marconi defence in his first game back after an unsuccessful visit to the United States, and Ian Hunter never stopped running.

Frank Ark had experimented with a new midfield combination after losing two matches in a row, and the trio of Stone, Marton and John O'Shea constantly kept the St. George forwards in sight of the Marconi goal.

Marconi only looked a shadow of the team which whipped PSL leaders APIA 5-0 in an Ampol Cup quarter final, and Hunter, Maher and the newly returned Tony Henderson were the only players to catch the eye.

St. George searched for the drier patches in the second half by playing the ball wide which led to both goals. John O'Shea sped down the left in the 60th minute and crossed to

Paul Wilkinson, whose header went goalwards with Marton completing to move.

Three minutes from full time, Stone set Slater moving and his cross found Marton in centre field and the striker outpaced the Marconi defence to slot the ball past Maher.

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**Canberra 0  
Wollongong 1**

Scorer: Cotton.

CANBERRA: Hoszowski 7, Byrne 8, Milovanovic 6, Moutsopoulos 6, Murray 7 (Reis 78th), Stone 6, MacLaren 6, Ambrosino 7, Gibson 7, Brennan 7, Valeri 6.

WOLLONGONG: Verdara 8, Willis 7, Bartogna 7, Dunlevy 7, Ainsworth 7, Adam 7, Gaffney 7, Fleming 7, Cotton 7, O'Connor 7.

Cautions: Fleming, Milovanovic.

Ref: K. Allen.

Crowd: 2000.

Canberra plummeted to the depths of despair by allowing tall-tinder Wollongong to sneak a 1-0 victory at Canberra.

The loss locks Canberra into the relegation zone.

From start to finish it was a disappointingly scrappy game.

Yes, Canberra had a scratch side, being minus Paul Ontong, Gary Byrne and Ian Purdie. Equally, however, Wollongong was weakened by the absence of Tredinnick and Laing.

It was immediately tackled by Canberra's Mike Milovanovic but the defender allowed

but the tireless defence of David Skeen, Robert O'Shea and David Ratcliffe never gave Marconi a real chance.

"We deserved it. We created the chances and controlled most of the game," said Arok. Dom Kapetanovic partly blamed the youthfulness of some of his players and their inconsistency for the loss.

"St. George played as a team. We didn't, and if you don't have the ball, you can't play," he said.

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Cotton to burst the tackle and despite Canberra's keeper, Steve Hoszowski, stopping Cotton's first attempt, the ball ran loose and Cotton squeezed into the net.

Canberra had made sufficient chances to have had the game won before half-time.

Yet they squandered those chances — the worst misses coming from Walter Valeri.

Valeri, struggling to find form, had two sitters but missed them both.

As Canberra's coach, George Murray so rightly said: "Goals are the name of the game."

"We made the chances and failed to take them."

He would have been better off sticking to his initial one-word summary ... "painful".

That said it all.

Wollongong's coach, Ken Morton, disagreed that Wollongong was the inferior side.

"We were the visitors yet we took the game up to

Canberra and they didn't take their chances."

One couldn't help agreeing that several Canberra players lacked total commitment.

Too many failed to make an impression.

The best for Canberra were Terry Byrne, Ian Gibson, although he faded badly, and youngster Angelo Ambrosino who for the first time got his chance to play in midfield.

Disappointing for Wollongong was Phil O'Connor although in the dying seconds it was John Fleming who missed a sitter when O'Connor's centre cut out Hoszowski and came to Fleming who from close-range blasted well wide.

There is little else one could say.

Wollongong would be happy and out, no doubt, to make it a remarkable three wins in a row. Canberra, in contrast, should be back at full-strength against Hellas.

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# Campbell in form, Paton struggles



Heidelberg midfielder Theo Selemidis challenges for a header against Brisbane Lions defender Paul Burns. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

## Hellas hangs back, O'Reilly the Titan

### Foots JUST 1 SM-Hellas 1

Scorers: JUST: Cozzella 7th; Hellas: Egan 9th  
Venue: Schmid Reserve  
Crowd: About 5000  
Referee: Stewart Mellings

Cautions: Milne (JUST) 14th min, Kyriakoulos (JUST) 18th, Rogers (Hellas) 35th  
Sent off: Milne 30th min.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Boland 8 - Milne (smash off 30th), O'Reilly 10, Kyriakoulos 7, Hazebert 8 - Coovic 7, Illoki 8, Jovanovic 9, Cozzella 8, Sims 6 (Kondoros 8, 36th), Ljubic 7.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Laumets 8 - Nicolaides 8, Jones 7, Xanthopoulos 7, Shirra 7 - Stevenson 8, Rogers 7, Campbell 7 - Egan 8, Evans 6, Woodman 6 (Blair 8, half time).

The fight for survival is turning out to be just as enthralling as the tussle for the title.

Had J.U.S.T. lost this game — as seemed certain after Jim Milne was sent off after 30 minutes — it would have slipped to last position as Wollongong won in Canberra.

However, JUST reacted positively in adversity — which hasn't been characteristic for this team — to grab a desperate point which leaves it level on 10 points with the other teams at the foot of the table.

If it maintains this fighting attitude and if it uses wisely the money it has made in home takings against Hellas and Makedonia, J.U.S.T. soon should draw clear of the relegation zone.

A former Red Star Belgrade forward who lately has been playing in the Yugoslav Second Division, was expected to have been here for the Hellas game, but he has been delayed until some time this week.

Coach Peter Jakska, whose hard training must have helped give the players the stamina they showed against Hellas, also hopes to sign Vic Smythe, a forward or mid-



fielder from Jakska's former club, West Adelaide, Hobart.

And J.U.S.T.'s former wingers, Joe Palinkas (Brisbane City) and Mendo Ristovski (Juventus) remain eager to rejoin the club.

It's reported that Branko Buljevic, who played for JUST from 1968 until 1977 when he joined Heidelberg-Alexander, also remains interested in the possibility of returning to Schmid Reserve, but his attitude may change if he is reinstated to the Hellas team.

Steve Woodin, who was in at Buljevic's expense, aggravated an injury and had to be replaced at half time. Woodin also had to leave in about a month with the New Zealand team for the World cup finals in Spain.

The Hellas players apparently believed that they had the game won when Charlie Egan scored in the 9th minute and when Milne was sent off in the 30th.

So they all dropped back in the second half, content on the break.

It didn't work though, because the men in blue played as if their lives depended on it.

And it was Jim O'Reilly who inspired them to example.

When you're down to 10 men, what you mean the bottom of the ladder and when you're playing one of the glamour teams in the league, there's nothing you need more than a man with the Titan attitude O'Reilly had on Sunday.

And he wasn't the only one.

Slobodan Jovanovic — although he was lax in giving John Stevenson so much room — was the springboard of most of J.U.S.T.'s attacks down the left, Igor Hazebert defended efficiently, Bruno Cozzella was

### Heidelberg 2 Brisbane Lions 0

Scorers: Campbell 33rd  
McLeod 67th.  
Ground: Olympic Park.  
Crowd: 2000 estimate.  
Cautions: Williamson, Bennett, Colo.  
Referee: Chris Bambridge 7.  
HEIDELBERG: Oliver 7, McMillan 7, Yzendoorn 8, MacLeod 8, Yankos 7, Rooney 8, Selemidis 7, Campbell 9, Colo 7, Paton 7 (Taylor 87m), Bozikas 7.  
LIONS: Scanlon 8; Bennett 7, Ferris 6, Burns 7, Niven 8; McSkimming 6, McLean 6, Hogg 7; Low 8, Williamson 6, Millman 6.

Len McKendry is not a coach who idly throws away accolades so when he calls a player the best midfielder in the country, you sit up and take notice.

Jim Campbell is the player he refers to and on Sunday he gave another faultless performance to get Heidelberg on the title track again — despite being shifted to a new role to make way for Andy Bozikas.

Campbell played deeper than he was in the opening six games but still was available to back up the attack and popped up from one such situation to open the score in the 33rd minute.

but Campbell darted in to head the rebound.

The goal was only the game's second scoring chance in what was a very slow start. Ten minutes before Campbell broke the deadlock Gary Cole had hammered a shot from the right side of the area against the upright and the loose ball was scrambled away before Paton could convert.

Nothing that Paton does at the moment is going right and it came as little surprise that he was rested after half time to bring on Ken Taylor.

Taylor started the match on the subs' bench to make way for Andy Bozikas' first game

of the season after a long drawn out contract wrangle.

Bozikas made a couple of fine openings but had an otherwise fairly quiet game.

Brisbane Lions failed to live up to the goalscoring reputation they've built up in the opening six rounds.

Coach Joe Gilroy was forced into a reshuffle, putting Bob Ferris into the sweeper role vacated by Malcolm Tuttle who has a hamstring injury.

Paul Burns came into the back four to look after Paton thus freeing Bob McSkimming from his normal fullback duties to look after Jimmy Rooney.

But he failed miserably in the task as Rooney was fairly active throughout the match and also provided the free kick for the second goal.

The kick, taken from out on the left wing, found Don MacLeod lurking at the far post unmarked and he gave Scanlon no chance with a fine header.

Earlier, another move started by Rooney, this time a short free kick to Campbell, gave John Yzendoorn another opening but the post again came to Lions' rescue with Scanlon's header.

The keeper did earn his keep however, twice denying Cole after the striker had broken through on fine passes from Charlie Yankos and Selemidis.

Jeff Oliver at the other end had a quiet day with neither Ron Millman nor Billy Willman causing much bother.

Millman had two headers saved at the end of each half but Williamson hardly had a decent shot at goal. Nippy winger Craig Low was the busiest of the forwards and gave Yankos a testing time with his pace.

Overall Heidelberg was much the better side and its good record against the Brisbane club — it has only lost one game in 11 PSL encounters against Lions — was never in danger.

## J.U.S.T. too late for Palinkas?

### Brisbane C. 2 Sydney C. 1

Scorers: Palinkas 60th, Bohan 75th (BC). Sydney City: Patikas 69th.  
Ground: Spencer Park.  
Crowd: About 2600.  
Referee: J. Reeves 7.  
Cautions: Liddell (BC), Watson (SC).

Glockner 7, Carey 7 (Palinkas, 38th 7).

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH: Clarke 7, Cant 7, Spanos 7, Robertson 7, Bruce 7, Murray 8, Watson 7, Barnes 7, Patikas 7, Kosmina 6, Souness 6 (Mullen, 55th, 8).

Brisbane City winger Joe Palinkas seems unlikely to accept an offer to return to Footscray JUST.

Palinkas, 28, made a dazzling comeback to Philips League football when he scored twice and prevented an equaliser in Brisbane City's 2-1 victory over current PSL champion Sydney City Hakoah at Spencer Park.

Palinkas said after the match: "The Footscray offer was good one but City has offered me another two-year contract when the current three-year one expires at the end of the season.

"At the moment and particularly after today's game, I can see no reason to return to Melbourne."

But if Footscray is desperate to sign the speedy winger, there could be a ray of hope in a statement Patikas made later when he said: "I think my style of play is more suited to Footscray and you never know with soccer. It's a game in which things can change each week."

Indeed, Nicolaides fought like a tiger to keep Ljubic at bay.

Blair came on at half time for Woodin and I did not see him lose a single heading duel.

O'Reilly saved J.U.S.T. with a goal-line clearance from Egan in the eighth minute but Egan made amends by scoring his seventh goal in as many matches when he headed home a minute later, after David Jones had back-headed a Woodin corner from the near post.

Milne was shown the yellow card over a foul on Woodin in the 14th minute and when he fouled Woodin again referee Stewart Mellings pulled out the yellow card again. Fortunately for Mellings he realised his mistake, and replaced the yellow card with the red one. How embarrassing that could have been for him.

A few minutes after Milne's departure, John Stevenson rammed a free kick into the net for what looked like a legitimate Hellas goal, but Mellings disallowed it — apparently for offside.

With one defender missing, Jakska did the right thing in bringing on Jim Kondoros — who had missed two games due to injury — for forward Paul Sims.

Cozella has had some quite embarrassing misses so far this season, but luck was with him when, in the 75th minute, his blistering drive from outside the box bounded in the top corner for the equalising goal.

Billy Rogers had the chance to put Hellas back into the lead just before the end, but Boland reacted with a flying save that preserved the point for JUST.

And it took that goal to jar the PSL champion into an aggressive mood and the football it played for the next 10 minutes was the most entertaining of the match.

The only player to show aggression was Kevin Mullen,

who came on in the 55th minute as a replacement for

## Palinkas?



Ian Souness who was still troubled by a back injury.

Mullen repeatedly overlapped and crossed many a ball into the middle but more times than not it went to waste as star striker John Kosmina was out of touch and tightly marked by City defender Frank Liddell.

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## West Ad. so close to victory!



Alex Vesic

counter-attacking style almost produced the shock of the round, as Honeyman and on occasions Santrac came close to piercing APIA-Leichhardt's defence.

West Adelaide tried to use Graham Heys during the first half, but Skellern did well to keep the nippy winger out of the game. Towards the end of the first half, West Adelaide switched their attack to the lead and attacked through Heys.

The visitors came close on two occasions soon after the interval.

Their young defender, Robbie Dunn headed over the bar in the 48th minute, then Tim Brown found the net some five minutes later but was

results, one in the Ampol Cup midweek against Marconi and this one, suggest that a hard road lies ahead for Willie Wallace's Maroons.

APIA's best players on the day were Ian Gray, Mark Pullen and John Bradley, while West Adelaide defenders and in particular Rob Dunn must receive their dues for a gutsy display.

As for the new feature, the APIA supporters' club "culture house" at the eastern end of the ground, one wished that Mr Alfons Pezzolungo is willing to trade seats with the guys from the Press box. He designed and built the stand, just behind the goal at the southern end, while the Press box is neatly "tucked away" from the action at Lamber Park in

West Adelaide came to Sydney looking for a point and they took it with ease. Their tight, man to man marking consistently stopped APIA-Leichhardt's drive towards

# TASMANIAN SCENE

## AIS takes on Tassie

"It will be the hardest game we've played. They'll be the best organised, the most professional, the best prepared team we've played."

That's how Larry Nunn, the powerfully built 29-year-old Rapid-Wrest Pint-sized defender summed up the coming game between Tasmania's State of Origin team and the team from the Canberra Institute of Sport led by Jimmy Shouler.

Nunn, an integral part of Tasmania's team, is one of the most gifted and respected players in the State. Both team mates and opponents rate him highly. His skill, his work-rate, and his attitude, make him a players' player.

His standing was confirmed as long ago as 1978 when he was awarded the coveted Royal Cup Gold Medal.

Like many a star in Tasmania, Nunn began his career with amateur club, Metro-Claremont. Starting in its under-19 team he won the 'best recruit' award and stayed for two years. His next club was Olympia but

he only spent about a season and a half with the Greek club before joining White Eagles.

It was with Eagles that Nunn won his Rothmans Gold Medal. Between 1975 and 1978 he also picked up two premierships with the Polish outfit, as well as three 'best and fairest' awards.

Since joining Rapid, Nunn has won a premiership and an Ampol Cup. He represented Tasmania against China in 1975 and was captain of last year's State of Origin team which defeated a Victorian Youth XI and a Tasmanian 'Rest of the World' team.

Larry rates Ken Morton and Steve Darby as the best coaches he has played under. "Morton certainly managed

to get the best out of his players," says the modest, unassuming star who, strangely, didn't start to play the game until he was 15 years old.

Nunn is basically a defender or midfielder, but he can score goals too. A natural left footer, he recently scored a sizzler from the edge of the area against University in the Michael the Tailor Cup. He also scored with a bullet-like header last year in the game against Brighton-ICL, but, he is understandably reticent about that effort since it was an own-goal!

Larry's remaining ambition in the game is to win the Cadet Cup. It is the one trophy that has eluded him. Who knows? This just could be the year!



Larry Nunn

By WALTER PLESS

## Hey tops in two sports

To be a star in one sport is an achievement. To excel at two is exceptional.

That's an accurate adjective to describe Brighton-ICL's speedy, 20-year-old fullback, Chris Hey, who, apart from excelling at soccer, is also an accomplished runner.

He has represented Tasmania on several occasions in athletics at under-age level and has held a number of State records in the 800 and 1500 metre events.

Hey joined Brighton when he was 16 and has played State League soccer ever since. In his relatively short senior career, Hey has won both a 'best and fairest' award (1979) and a 'most consistent' award (1980).

Chris Hey is an important cog in Tasmania's 'State of Origin' team, but representative honours are nothing new to him. He has represented the State from the Under 12 team on. He even gained Australian representative

honours when he was chosen in Australian Under 19 squads in 1979 and 1980. They certainly were good years for him!

Like any policeman doesn't interfere too much with his soccer, says Hey.

"I had an arrangement with John Taylor last year that if I was working and couldn't turn up for training, I'd go out and train on my own. With games, if I'm rostered on for a match day, it's not all that hard to change with another police officer," he said.

He believes there is a lot of young talent in the State, but he thinks that many are into senior ranks too quickly and can't cope when they get there.

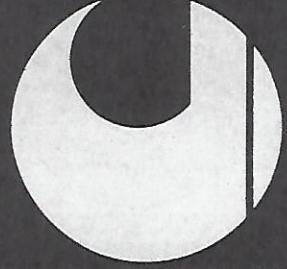
He came through the ranks himself and should know, but he was one of the lucky ones who managed to keep his place.

There's little doubt that this accomplished athlete should be a regular on the Tassie soccer scene for many seasons to come.



Chris Hey

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# How can a ref cope with

## 'professional' hit-men?

Pity the poor referee, for he is the person with whom the buck really stops in soccer.

Our whistlers, or rather people appointing them, are really in a bind.

Take the saga of Ken Small and the Philips League this year.

Ken had a fairly controversial time of it in the Wollongong v Sydney City Hakoah match some weeks ago, when a fracas between the home team's Phil O'Connor and the defending champions' Ian Souness led to the latter's expulsion.

As the spectators present at this torrid interlude and, later, thousands of others glued to their idiot boxes could plainly see, Souness was the subject of intense provocation.

If he deserved to be sent packing from the game — and he may well have — so did his opponent.

Many were not happy with referee Small on that occasion!

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goals by Olympic being disallowed for unfathomable reasons and we've got the stage set for another 'refereeing controversy'.

In the meantime a bunch of professional Canadian lumberjacks would have been put to shame by the chopping which went on almost undisturbed.

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Naturally the cry went up among officials, in the media and elsewhere almost as soon as the proceedings were mercifully ended.

"We must only use experienced officials in the PSL," thundered "Spider" Maher on 0/28, where he is fast becoming the resident nemesis of referees.

Fair enough.

However, a problem remains.

How do referees become experienced if they don't get the experience which only can be gained by controlling major games?

If you think I have the answer to this chicken-or-egg riddle,

I haven't the faintest!

In the meantime, we must baffle along hoping for the best, and Ken, don't give up mate, just be a little more thoughtful and consistent in moments of excitement on the greater glory of their clubs.

Difficult enough to control at any time, especially on a pitch which lent itself to four metre lunging slides at opponents' ankles and to vulnerable parts of their anatomy.

Add to this the explosive ingredient of two perfectly valid

lack of respect by many of our players for the health and safety of their fellow.

Much is being said about the ..professionalism' of our players and clubs, but can there be anything less professional than the willingness, or even eagerness, of some of our so called 'stars' to injure and maim their opponents?

Nowadays most PSL players earn a sizable portion of their income from the sport.

In a few cases it's their only income.

How can players, who may even end up on the same team as their 'targets' at some future date, bring themselves to commit almost Neanderthal acts of mayhem under the pretext of playing soccer?

Don't they ever pause to think about the effect of prematurely ending another's career? Obviously they don't.

And the coaches and officials. Don't they apprehend the guilty ones, even if after the act, and warn them that there is no place for modified forms of guerrilla warfare, or assault and battery in football? I guess the answer would again have to be in the negative most of the time.

This, of course, reflects on the whole setup — including the referees, who could nip such behaviour in the bud by sending off some of the culprits — without mercy or prior warning.

I personally do not want to hear about professionalism until it is measured by a code of behaviour, as well as the size of inflated pay envelopes.

## Building up from the back



**TIM WHITE**  
Victorian coaching director

I wrote in my last column that it is far preferable to play the ball out of defence rather than kick it speculatively up the field.

*What do we need to play out from the back?*

The prime consideration on this principle must be the following. Firstly we need players who believe totally in the policy of playing this way from their back third. They must understand the principles involved in its execution and realise the values and consequences of its implementation. We need players to develop the confidence in their own ability to play this way (the coach is vitally important here) and essential is the co-operation of all players not immediately involved in the early stages of the development of the attacks.

*How do we play from the back?*

Let us assume that the goalkeeper has possession of the ball. As a general principle (although not always the case) we can instruct our full backs to go wide, towards the touchline although one questions the value of asking them to run as deep as to the corner flags to receive the ball. Touchline wide in the first 20-25 yards of the pitch, the full backs can then have the ball thrown across and in front of them, so that when they are in possession they are facing wide and can move forward — the way we intend to move the ball.

The central defenders play a vital part in playing out, in fact they are often the key players.

These two centre backs initially must separate from each other — one pushing forward and away from the penalty area and one dropping short towards the goalkeeper along the edge of the box to have the ball from the goalkeeper, on the half turn. Generally speaking we are asking the rear defenders to stretch and forward to spread when the goalkeeper is in possession.

To enable rear players to have the maximum space available in which to play, the co-operation of other players, both midfield and forwards is essential. By pushing both forward and wide they can assist by vacating the rear and early parts of the middle third of the pitch.

If we do this, then the dis-

midfield players may be used if other front players come to collect the ball. If 9 comes across to pressure the ball, because 9 has marked 6, then by still playing the ball into the feet of 4, the ball may be returned to 2 as he comes forward out of the back third of the field, unchallenged and able to move forward (Diagram 2).

Certainly, two forward players will have difficulty in containing four defenders should they choose to play this way. If the opposition play with 3 players up front it is likely that two of them will attempt to cut out the ball to the full backs.

If this is not so, then one of the full backs may be able to receive the ball directly from the goalkeeper. If both the full backs are "cut out" then we have two central defenders being confronted by one central attacker. We may now have this situation: (Diagram 2).

If this is so, then 5 must be prepared to receive the ball from the goalkeeper. By doing so he may now:

1. Run the ball forward, keeping his head up if 9 decides to retreat in front of him.

2. Play directly to 6's feet as 9 approaches the ball, either across 9 or past 9 depending on 9's angle of approach to the ball.

By doing this, we by-pass 9 and have the opportunity to move the ball into the middle third of the pitch.

We may also use his own midfield players who come back to the ball, as and when required by the ball in possession of the ball. Let us suppose that 9 does a good defending job and threatens (by continually shifting his position as he approaches) any ball to 6.

5 may then use midfield players in moving the ball into the middle third of the pitch. By rolling a well-weighted pass even underweighted into 4's feet, as he comes to the ball, he enables 4 to lay off a first-time pass to 6 as he moves in support of the ball.

If we can do this, then as a team, we have moved the ball behind the first bank of defending players and have a rear player (6) in the middle third of the pitch, so making an

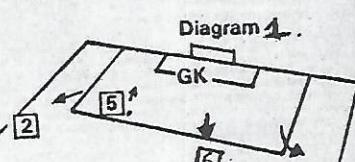


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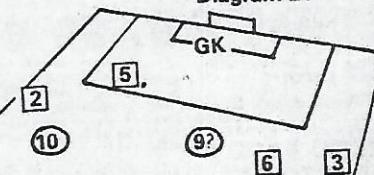
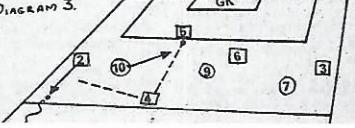


Diagram 3.





# SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD

## World's No. 3 bound for England

**JULIO Cesar Uribe**, the "black diamond" of Peruvian football, is adamant he will be playing in England next season.

The 24-year-old forward, rated his country's key World Cup man, has a \$300,000 price tag and is certain to move abroad after Spain.

Several approaches have been made to Sporting Cristal, Uribe's club in Peru, but he insists: "Leeds are my first choice."

"We have agreed terms and I have given them my word that they have the first option."

Uribe is a quality player

with good skills and a powerful shot in both feet.

In a recent international poll Uribe was voted the third best player in the world — after Argentinian superstar Diego Maradona and Zico of Brazil.

Uribe prepares for Spain, where Pele is in a group with Italy, Poland and Cameroon, saying: "The World Cup will put me in the showcase. It is my chance to show I am the best."



**From JIM COOK**  
our European correspondent

## Austria triumphs, Germans draw

**Hans Kranki** dispelled recent rumours that he is a spent force as Austria swept to a 3-2 win over long-time rival Hungary in the Neptun Stadium in Budapest last week.

Kranki, in the doldrums recently, scored Austria's opening goal and played a major role in a victory which will give the Austrians a tremendous boost for the World Cup in Spain starting in June.

But the Austrians, who will meet West Germany, Chile and Algeria in Group Two, almost threw victory away after racing into a 3-0 lead after 52 minutes.

Kranki, former winner of the "Golden Boot" as top scorer in Europe, put Austria in front with a 21st minute header.

Walter Schachner, who became the father of a boy minutes before the start of the match, celebrated with a second goal in the 49th minute and Roland Hattenberger took the tally to three in the 52nd minute with a 30-metre drive.

But Hungary refused to accept defeat in the 125th meeting of the nations and stormed back in the second half with goals from Lajos Varga and Nyulas.

West Germany held World Cup holder Argentina to a 1-1 draw in Buenos Aires in a friendly international in which neither side managed to gain the upper hand for long.

The Germans played more strongly in the first half and midfielder Dremmler scored after 32 minutes with a shot that bounded off Calderon into the goal.

Argentina's young star, Diego Maradona, was heavily marked and only occasionally held the ball long enough to show a flash of brilliance. Striker Mario Kempes, whose scoring won Argentina the 1978 World Cup, had a disappointing game.

But the tables were turned in the second half when the Argentine forwards intensified their attacks. Calderon scored after 46 minutes, after a lightning series of passes through the West German defence.

The Germans were without three of their key players, strikers Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and Klaus Fischer, and midfield player Bernd Schuster.

**Details** Switzerland 2 (Zeppe, Egli), Portugal 1 (Nunes); Kuwait 2 (Youssef Al-Sowaidi, Abdul Aziz Al-Ambari), United Arab Emirates 0; Czechoslovakia 2 (Redlmeir, Jaromir), Greece 1 (Koulos); Austria 3 (Kranki, Schachner, Hattenberger), Hungary 2 (Varadi, Nyulas); Belgium 4 (Verheyen 2, Czerniakynski 2), Romania 1 (Tichianu); France 4 (Zenner, Couriol, Arlosper, Genghini), Northern Ireland 0; Argentina 1 (Calderon), West Germany 1 (Dremmler); Spain 1 (Satrustegui), Wales 1 (James).

Argentine manager Cesare Menotti said Rummenigge's non-appearance in Rio de Janeiro the previous Sunday had been one of the main reasons for West Germany's 1-0 defeat.

Fischer, injured against Brazil, was replaced by Horst Hrubesch, two-goal hero of West Germany's 2-1 European Championship triumph over Belgium in 1980.

Argentina had hoped to welcome back all six River Plate players suspended by their club last month, but goalkeeper Ubaldo Fillo was ruled out with suspected hepatitis.

The remaining five, captain Daniel Passarella, defender Alberto Tarantini, midfielders Américo Gallego and strikers Mario Kempes and Ramon Diaz were all in action.

World Cup host Spain incurred the wrath of its disappointed fans when it was beaten to a 1-1 draw by Wales in an ill-tempered international in Valencia.

The Welsh, missing four players through injury, outran and outplayed the Spanish in front of an unenthusiastic crowd of 20,000 which came to life only at the final whistle when it sent a rain of cushions onto the pitch in disgust.

Spain, drawn against Northern Ireland, Yugoslavia and Honduras in Group Five, took a somewhat undeserved lead in the 26th minute when new cap Juan Estrella beat the Welsh defence with a superb pass to striker Jesus Sanchez.

Santos, one of the few Spanish successes, overcame past Welsh captain Paul Price and fullback Chris Marustik before clipping the ball past goalkeeper Dai Davies.

But it was one-way traffic towards the Spanish goal after the interval and Alan Curtis hit the woodwork in the 49th minute before Wales finally equalised three minutes later.

Curtis set it up with a splendid solo run which took him past two defenders. He released the ball to Robbie James who smashed a low 25-metre drive past Luis Arcinada into the corner of the net.

Spain fielded a weakened team against Wales.

Key midfielder Jesus Zamora, his San Sebastian team mate Miguel Alonso and Barcelona trio Jose Alfonso, Victor Mazon and Enrique Castro "Qui" were all unavailable.

Barcelona's Estrella made his first appearance for Spain, while Ricardo Gallego, who made a second half debut and scored in the 3-0 win over Scotland last month, played from the start.

Wales called up striker Ian Walsh and Gordon Davies to bolster a squad depleted by the absence of Ian Rush, Leighton James, Jeremy Charles and Brian Flynn.

France beat North Ireland 4-0 in Paris without the midfield inspiration of Michel Platini. He dropped out after straining a thigh muscle in a league game.

Northern Ireland, who crashed 4-0 to England last month, experimented with two wingers — Terry Cochrane and Noel Brotherton — a rarity in the modern game.

Scorers were Bernard Zenier (31 minutes), Alain Couriol (44), Jean-Francois Arios (penalty 57) and Bernard Genghini (81).

Belgium began its run to Spain by beating Romania 4-1 in Brussels. Manager Guy Thys deliberately chose moderate opposition for the warm-up games so that his squad could perfect techniques without too much strain and also boost morale with a victory.

The Belgian camp was not without problems because rated striker Jan Ceulemans had a groin injury which was beginning to cast doubts on his fitness for the finals.

Scorers were René Verheyen (12 and 45 minutes) and Alex Czerniakynski (38 and 76) for Belgium and Aurel Ricleman (52) for Romania.

In other games Czechoslovakia beat Greece 2-1 in Prague, Switzerland beat Portugal 2-1 in Lugano and Kuwait beat United Arab Emirates in the Gulf Cup in Abu Dhabi.

IT WAS worse than stealing the Crown Jewels. The whole of Brazil was in uproar recently when thieves had the nerve to break into the Maracana Stadium and steal the ball with which Pele scored his 100th goal.

The whole nation was outraged and demanded justice. So much so that Pele himself had to appear on television and appeal to the culprits to return the ball. The TV company even interrupted one of its top programmes to accommodate Pele.

It worked, though. Two days later the ball was found lying beside a swimming pool after an anonymous tip off to the police.

For the record — Pele's 100th goal was scored from the penalty spot in the Maracana in 1969 while the legendary Brazilian was playing for Santos against Vasco da Gama.

Ron Greenwood, the England manager since 1977, has confirmed to the F.A. that he will definitely quit after the World Cup finals in Spain.

Greenwood, 60, says it's a job for a younger man. Greenwood's successor could be announced in a month's time and favorite is still Bobby Robson of Ipswich Town with other names like John Lyall of West Ham, Laurie McNamee of Southampton and Keith Burkinshaw of Spurs being band-

ied around. Popular choice would be Brian Clough but his abrasive approach would count him out.

Tom Forsyth, the rugged Glasgow Rangers defender, has been forced to retire from the game through injury. Forsyth, 32, a big transfer buy from Motherwell 10 years ago, won 22 caps for Scotland as well as every possible Scottish honor with the Rangers.

Chile is up in arms over

reports that Bayern Munich general manager Uli Hoeneß rated its national side inferior to German amateur sides.

Chile manager Luis Santibañez says "Nobody in our team is even as good as the best of the national side."

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Johan Cruyff, 34, now back

with Ajax as player-coach,

pulled out of Holland's 16-man

squad for its friendly inter-

national against Scotland but

reports suggest he may return

to international soccer when

Holland plays England at

Wembley in May.

Little Forfar Athletic which

met a manager — in one of the

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Strikers, centre forwards, goalscorers, finishers — call them what you will — that unique breed of player who brings so much excitement into soccer.

Victoria's State League is blessed with strikers of varied character and skill. Indeed, just about every State League side has one striker upon whom its hopes of scoring goals in this elite group are set. Selection: Gus MacLeod, Ian Loughnane, Bobby Toal, Noel Mitten, Duncan Cummings, Dave Brogan and Norrie Pate as the strikers who could make the biggest impact upon the 1982 season.

Of this group surely MacLeod's character and on-field appearance stand out like a beacon for fans to home in on. "Big Gus" carried Green Gully Ajax's flag up front with distinction in 1981, his inaugural State League year after an extensive Scottish career, and no doubt he'll do so again in 1982.

The sight of the aggressive, bustling MacLeod in action draws praise from Ajax fans and outright scorn from opposing supporters.

He took the brunt of the heavy work up front this year and he'll have to do so again this season. One thing about MacLeod is certain — he won't be outdone in the physical clashes.

His favorite scoring position is at the far post where his well-timed runs and finishing reap most rewards.

One of the outstanding features of MacLeod's game is his heading ability. There's no firmer header of a ball in State League striking circles.

Melbourne Croatia forward Dave Brogan is one of the most exciting ball players in the league. His close ball skills are unmatched among State League strikers.

And in last year's State League Cup competition Brogan showed a unique flair for the unpredictable. His spectacular volley from a horizontal airborne position



Brendan Lekic (Polonia)

able to score from seemingly hopeless positions. As Croatia rebuilds for this year's State League campaign, Brogan will play a crucial role in the opposition's area.

Croydon will base a lot of its scoring hopes on Ian Loughnane's almost uncanny ability to get into dangerous positions inside the opposition's area.

Footscray JUST was interested in signing Loughnane last year. Surely he would have been a big bonus for JUST for 1982.

However the talented Loughnane still is under contract to Croydon, much to the pleasure of coach Ken Kontra.

There were times last season when Croydon looked to lack punch up front. Not so when Ian Loughnane was out injured. His importance to Croydon's ability to score can't be emphasised enough.

Duncan Cummings had one hell of a shot. He last was seen in State League circles in 1976, the year when South Melbourne Hellas clinched the State League title before embarking on its PSL experience.

Now Cummings is back. This time he'll be seen in the colors of Hellas-Hakoah and he's bound to find the back of the opposi-

tions' net. The slimly-built Cummings loves to run at opposing defenders and his speed, combined with well-timed runs off the ball, make him a major threat to teams which use the offside play. Provided the ball is delivered to Cummings correctly and at the right time he can exploit the break as well as any striker in the league.

Sunshine's Norrie Pate, provided he can remain free of injury, is set to write his name indelibly into the scorers' list in 1982.

Pate's at home inside the opposing team's area where his tight ball skills and ability to get in a strike at goal from even the slightest of chances should boost the Shiners' assault on a top four spot.

George Cross striker Bobby Toal has been the subject of conjecture in recent weeks. However the talented Toal is contracted to the Cross for another year and only could be bought "for \$20,000" according to Cross president Alf Zahra.

So Toal will be seen in a George Cross strip again this season.

He's the kingpin of George Cross's strike force.

Toal is a fine all-round player. He shields the ball well, can beat a man, shoots powerfully and times his off-the-ball runs well.

Neil Mitten is after a unique record.

The former Eire youth international has topped the scorers' lists at his last two clubs, Frankston City and Melbourne Croatia. He was with Croatia for two seasons and was that club's leading scorer during both years.

Mitten's game is based upon his acceleration and his ability to get into scoring situations.

He's an unpredictable striker with individual flair and he's bound to be in the thick of the action this season.

Polonia's Brendan Lekic was equal

scoring leader in Metro First Division last year.

The young striker shields the ball well and is very fast. His shooting power is bound to pay dividends for Polonia in the

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Wilhelmina v Sunshine  
Rob Nelson (St), Joe Trout (W).  
Aibion v Northcote  
Andy McMillan (A), George Bozikis (N).  
Juventus v Doventon  
Graham French (J), Chris Middlemaist (D).  
George Cross v Polonia  
Dave Rigby (GC), Rick Liparski (P).  
Frankston v Ajax  
Paul Drimozicky (F), Gordon Wallace (A).  
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Hellen-Hakoh v Croydon  
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GEO. CROSS.....	1	0	0	4	1 2
Sunshine.....	1	0	0	2	1 2
Juventus.....	1	0	0	1	0 2
Hellen-Hakoh.....	1	0	0	1	0 2
Wilhelmina.....	0	0	1	1	2 0
Croydon.....	0	0	1	0	1 0
Doventon.....	0	0	1	1	4 0
Northcote.....	0	0	1	1	4 0
Morwell F.....	0	0	1	1	6 0
Frankston.....	0	1	0	5	0

## Reinforcements

on way after

## 5-0 thrashing

FRANKSTON 0 AJAX 5 (MacLeod 2, Peter Lewis, Paul Lewis, Wallace).

FRANKSTON: Gilbert 5 — Wilhelmina 6, Tuttili 5, Drimozicky 7, Pye 6 — Goss 1, Goss 2, MacLeod 2, Peter Lewis, Wallace 5, Pye 6.

AJAX: Danny 7 — Peter Lewis 7, Conrad 7, Gardiner 7, Hogben 7 — Smallman 7 (Bannet 75th), Vassallo 8, Wallace 8 — MacLeod 2, Paul Lewis 7, Wallace 7.

Wilhelmina midfielder Paul Cooke appears before the Appeals Board for a second time tomorrow (Thursday) and hopes to cross to Frankston.

The Baysiders sure could use some quality in their young first team squad.

Sweeper Rob Stewart returns from Scotland at 8 am on Friday. Midfielder Carl Holford is due to arrive the following day. Both will be rushed into the side for the game against Northcote.

No wonder: Last Sunday the home side received a 5-0 drubbing from slick State League champion Ajax.

Bobby McLachlan's outfit took just two minutes to strike its scoring touch. Ex-Everton and Wrexham star David Smallman split the Frankston defence with a through ball for quicksilver Paul Lewis who crossed from the right. Who should be lurking in his customary back post position but Gus MacLeod. The big man dove in and headed the ball past the Frankston keeper.

Gordon Wallace was in through into a one-on-one with David Gilbert after 27 minutes. The Victorian youth team keeper pulled down Ajax's attacking midfielder and MacLeod notched his second goal from the resultant penalty.

Gilbert dropped the ball from a corner early in the second half and Paul Lewis pounced, driving the ball in from close range.

Ajax stretched its lead when John Gardiner played a superb long ball to Peter Lewis, cutting in from the right behind the Frankston defence. Lewis expertly slotted the ball under Gilbert's body to make it 4-0.

Ajax's tally was completed in spectacular fashion when a free kick just outside the Frankston area was tapped to one side for Wallace to send the ball screaming into the roof of the net from 22 metres.

## Watch out for Middlemaist!

JUVENTUS 1 (French) DOVENTON 0

JUVENTUS: Clayton 7 — V. Bannon 7, P. Bannon 7, Donaldson 6, Hird 6 — Haury 7, G. Bannon 8, Cunningham 6 (Germar 53rd) — French 8, Swindon 6, Incentalupi 6.

DOVENTON: Ivanoff 7 — Thurlow 6, Cork 7, Merrick 7, Porter 6 — McIvor 7, K. Middlemaist 7, Train 7 — Whitehurst 6, C. Middlemaist 8, Quin 6 (Bone 66th).

The media ballyhoo about a giant Italian phoenix rising from the ashes of near relegation dissolved in Juventus' unspringing display against undermanned Doventon.

Take Ged Bannon and Graham French out of Sunday's line-up and you would have been left with a fairly ordinary-looking performance.

Doventon however has unearthed a potential top-flight State League striker in young Chris Middlemaist from Nunawading City.

Chris has many qualities which go to make a good player," said Doventon player-coach Ernie Merrick.

Merrick could have been referring to Middlemaist's ability to quickly "kill" the ball at his feet and turn sharply against opponents. He also has a fine shot, as demonstrated in the 42nd minute when he let fly from 25 metres only to be denied by the far post.

The goal that mattered came after just six minutes when Vince Bannon's far-post free kick from the right eluded Lou Ivanoff and allowed French neatly to head in from a few metres.

Ged Bannon a fearless competitor. He's like a wee Scottish terrier who, once he gets hold of the cuffs of your trousers, simply refuses to let go. Bannon was the most powerful midfielder on display and his tackling complemented the neat ball skills of Tony Hey.

Juventus could have scored right on time when French made a good run down the right as sweeper Merrick came across to challenge. The former Hakoah striker curled over an inch-perfect cross for Kevin Swindon at the far post. How Swindon managed to glance the ball wide with a gaping goal in front remains a mystery.

## Rujevic sent off

ALBION ROVERS 4 (D'Sylva 2, McMillan, K. Coyle) NORTHCOTE 1 (Rujevic).

ROVERS: Lacock 7 — McMillan 6, Munro 7, Creasy 7, R. Nisbet 7 — Ferri 7, Reilly 7, Spiteri 7 — D'Sylva 2, Smart 7, K. Coyle (inj. Gilmour 85th).

NORTHCOTE: Giannopoulos 5 — Liccardi 5 (Kryszkisz 80th), Nelson 7, Patrinos 5, Nisbet 6 — Koulaikas 4, Rujevic 6 (sent off 40th), Borkas 7, Fakos 5 — Sehnids 7, Tsetsos 6 (Mouli 70th).

Former Footscray J.U.S.T. midfielder Mirko Rujevic was both hero and villain within 10 minutes at Selwyn Park.

Rujevic scored Northcote's only goal in the 30th minute when he stretched out to poke the ball past Danny Lacock and in off the post but 10 minutes later he trudged off the field after receiving a red card.

Albion made a great start to its return to State League when Andy McMillan's header opened its account.

The home side went two up within 20 minutes. Former Juventus defender Alex Nelson took a free kick from near the edge of his own area. Mick D'Sylva was only 10 metres away, intercepted the kick by chesting down then volleyed the ball over John Giannopoulos, the Northcote custodian.

McMillan's overlap down the right later in the half was rewarded when he cut the ball back for D'Sylva at the near post who sidefooted in.

Northcote was well and truly down but its light went out when Albion player-coach Frank Munro hammered a long clearance over the heads of the Northcote defence. D'Sylva eluded the off-side trap, took the ball to the by-line and cut it back for Keiron Coyle who hardly could miss from a metre out.

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## Latif revels in the rain

**MORWELL FALCONS 1 (Perkin) CROATIA 6** (Latif 2, Parton, Adams pen, Brogan, Batinovic).

FALCONS: Whiteside 4 — Smart 7, Irvine 5, Higham 7, Wilson 6 — O'Callaghan 6, Daniels 5, Thompson 5 (Payne 60th) — Caesar 5 (O'Connor 75th), McClune 6, Parkin 7.

CROATIA: Pugliese 7 — Parton 6, Kokoska 8, Adams 8, Bilever 7 — Batinovic 6, Fugliac 6, Golovac 7, Latif 9, Brogan 7, Murphy 7.

Croatia always could turn its hand to water polo if it fails to win the State League championship.

A torrential downpour in the 30th minute sent both teams and the referee scurrying for cover and after the 15 minute stoppage it was visitor Croatia who adapted better to the conditions.

Falcone made the mistake of trying to do too much with the ball after the stoppage whereas Croatia played it long and high and Ossie Latif and Dave Brogan were too quick for the Falcons' back four.

"The match should have been cancelled," said Falcons' player-coach Dave O'Connor.

The pitch was waterlogged after the downpour and referees must be prepared to cancel games under such circumstances.

"This isn't sour grapes, Croatia thoroughly deserved its result but to me it was a joke that the match went on."

Croatia opened the scoring in the 2nd minute when Ossie Latif burst clear onto Keith Adams' long clearance and neatly slotted the ball past Cliff Whiteside.

Jeff Faulkner lost possession in the 12th minute and Nigel Daniels' shot from 20 yards with Adams in pursuit, Perkin always was going to win the race and he did so to stroke the ball past the advancing Elvio Pugliese.

Livewire Latif was giving Falcons' left back Dave Wilson a hiding, the former Kellor Austria striker again strode through into a one-on-one with Whiteside to give Croatia the lead.

Right on half time Perkin was unlucky not to level when he steamed, picked his spot, but headed against the post.

After the interval Sean Parton beat Whiteside to a high ball to head Croatia into a two-goal lead. From then on it was a procession for the visitors.

Latif was brought down inside the Falcons' area and Adams easily converted from the spot.

Pugliese beat Wilson in a race to a poor Steve Kokoska back pass and slotted the ball past. Parton got to the clearance and hit a long ball in behind the square Falcons' defence for Dave Brogan to run onto and clip past stranded Whiteside.

The finale to Croatia's triumph came from Ken Murphy's cross on the left. Ned Batinovic was unmarked at the back post and expertly stroked the ball into goal from close range.

## Mitten to Morwell, Ajax faces Juve

**Ringwood Wilhelmina was negotiating with a consortium of wealthy businessmen as we went to press.**

It is understood that these businessmen are interested in forming a committee to administer the Dutch sponsored club.

Wilhelmina president John van der Heijden has administered the club for over two decades and will continue as president.

Wilhelmina confronts Polonia at Raleigh Reserve on Sunday and would like nothing better than to impress its prospective committee with a victory.

However Polonia is determined to erase the bitter memory of last week's 4-1 drubbing by George Cross.

The clash of the round is at Green Gully Reserve where the champion home side confront Tony Boggs' new-look Juventus.

The black and whites failed to flatter last week but the quality of their defence, featuring Vince and Paddy Bannon, gives them a slim hope of snatching a point.

That hope though could be shattered by Gully's galloping goal machine Gus Macleod and his attacking cohorts, Paul Lewis and Jim Williams.

Ajax carries much more attacking flair in midfield thanks to David Smallman and Gordon Wallace and should win.

Croatia and Albion Rovers hit the goal trail with a vengeance to open their 1982 State League account and they clash at Olympic Park No. 1 on Sunday.

Albion import Gary Cutler, a defender from the U.K., arrived last Sunday morning and is likely to be given the task of tagging Croatia's young re-cruit Ossie Latif.

John Creany probably will tag elusive Dave Brogan while Andy McMillan may be given the task of shackling quicksilver Kenny Murphy.

Croatia should win. It looks



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Croydon V George Cross at Croydon Park, Sunday, 3pm.  
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Ajax V Juventus at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday, 3pm.  
Northcote V Frankston at John Cain Reserve, Sunday, 3pm.  
Croatia v Albion Rovers at Olympic Park No. 1 Sunday, 3pm.  
Polonia V Wilhelmina at Raleigh Reserve, Sunday, 3pm.  
Sunshine V Morwell Falcons at Chaplin Reserve, Sunday, 3pm.

to have more quality than Albion but there's little doubt that Frank Munro's side will provide determined opposition.

Morwell Falcons will feature new signing Noel Mitten from Croatia when it tags Sunshine at Chaplin Reserve.

The Shiners appear too tough and well-drilled for Dave O'Connor's team.

Falcons still need another two or three players. Blind striker Tony van Baar, once he recovers from ligament troubles, will add bite to Falcons attack alongside Richie McClune and Mitten.

It's in the defensive and midfield lines that Falcons appear undermanned and Sunshine should take the points.

Former Hul City and Hereford United defender Ian Dobson should be in Croydon's side for Sunday's clash with George Cross.

Cross' shadowy Bobby Toal was injured in the first half against Polonia last Sunday but labored on. There's a doubt about him being fully fit for the Croydon Park game.

The euphoria which surrounded Cross' first-up win may be dampened on the narrow confines of Croydon Park.

Doveton could surprise Hellas-Hakoah at Waratah Reserve on Sunday.

The Doves are far from the

**And now for Steve Scerri...**

**GEORGE CROSS 4 (Rigby, Toal, Mizzi, Gambin) POLONIA 1 (Krynski)**

GEORGE CROSS: Guy 6 — Morgan 7, Lawson 9, Maitland 7, McKinley 7 — Vella 7, McCann 7, Rigby 9 — Gambin 7, Toal 7, Mizzi 7 (10'W 86th). POLONIA: Dzielakowski 5 — Liparski 6, Klein 6, A. Czarnik 5, Pichner 4 — Wallace 6, P. Czarnik 5, Marshall 4 — Lekic 4, Krynski 4, Przybyla 5.

George Cross still was negotiating with Sunshine for defender Steve Scerri as we went to press.

Cross offered transfer listed winger Brian Flaherty in a swap for Scerri but Sunshine refused. Then Cross offered \$500. Again the Shiners refused. Cross will raise its cash offer this week.

Polonia was struck with stage fright at Chaplin Reserve on Sunday. It was a black day for the Polish-sponsored club.

Kevin Innes, Marian Jaworski and Richard Sekulski were unavailable through injury and two of Polonia's youngsters were taken to hospital after Sunday's reserve game.

Cross opened the scoring in the 21st minute when Dave Rigby ghosted into the clear at the back post and headed home a free kick from the right.

Scores tied three minutes later. Brendan Lekic's cross slipped through the hands of Oliver Gay. Tad Krynski headed goalward and Norm Maitland failed with a desperate attempt to clear off the goal line.

Cross' joy turned to ecstasy when Leszek Dzielakowski fumbled a bad Stan Klein back pass and ace Cross striker Bobby Toal tapped into the gaping goal.

The game was put well out of Polonia's reach in the 50th minute when a thundering shot by Ray Mizzi cannoned off Mike Pichner's head, sending Dzielakowski the wrong way.

Cross' joy turned to ecstasy when Rigby played the ball forward to Toal who touched it off for the incoming Paul Gambin. The young Cross' lunge let fly from about 15 metres and once more Dzielakowski was foiled by a deflection.

Polish import Stefan Mila from Vardis is due to arrive this Saturday morning but he will be given time to acclimate and won't be in Polonia's line-up for Sunday's game against Ringwood Wilhelmina.

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Croydon goalkeeper Mick Edwards (white shorts) goes for the punch to foil Hellas-Hakoah forwards Stan Webster and Peter Abrahams (right). Picture by LES SHORROCK.

All the excitement in this drab encounter was crammed into the last seven minutes.

Then, Lou Tsigaris in the Hellas-Hakoah goal pulled off a brilliant double save that would have done credit to God's Barbers in his heyday, and from his clearance the home side won a corner.

Second substitute Kris Kalfatidis, standing on the goal-line, made life difficult for Croydon goalie Mick Edwards, who fumbled the ball, and Kalfatidis belted it against the underside of the crossbar.

The ball bounced down and as Croydon played on, and the linesman made no signal, referee Sam Zoumas whistled and pointed to the centre. He did so because almost the half-time was past when Croydon defenders, who claimed the ball had not crossed the line.

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# West Ad's Cup — thanks to Crook

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 0, Hellas won on penalties — SA Ampol Cup final.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 9 — Totsikas 8, McGahey 8, Dunn 9, Booth 8 — Brennan 7, Doorne 7, Honeyman 8 — Santac 7 (McGregor 45th), 7, Heys 7.

ADELAIDE CITY: McNelly 7 (Ferguson 41st), Russell 8, Flounders 9, B. Nakohus 8, Doda 8 — Merocchi 7, Metz 7, Villani 8 — Northcote 9, Mitchell 8, J. Nakohus 8 (Marangoni 10th).

Earlier Brian Northcote, Charlie Villani, Sergio

West Adelaide Hellas won its ninth Ampol Cup with a dramatic penalty-kick showdown against Adelaide City at Hindmarsh Stadium.

The scores were tied at 0-0 after extra time, forcing the Cup to be decided on penalties.

Martyr Crook, who had a brilliant match — City's hero when he stopped Gary Marocchi's penalty in the final attempt.

With the scores tied 4-4, Neil McGahey stepped up to blast the ball into the roof of the net to give the Cup to West.

Earlier Brian Northcote, Charlie Villani, Sergio

Marangoni and Sergio Melta had netted from the penalty spot.

West's successful quarter of penalty takers before McGahey's crucial kick were Graham Honeyman, David Doorne, Zoran Maricic and Mick Brennan.

The defeat was a bitter blow to City which had been on top for most of the match but failed to beat Crook.

Crook flung himself to his right to divert a blistering David Mitchell header in the second half and followed that up with another superb save from another Mitchell

attempt.

West, which went into the match without Steve Sum-

ner, Jimmy Wright and Manecas (injured) had further setbacks when Adrian Santac came off at half time with an injury and was replaced by Allan Booth at the end of normal time.

City's goal of the match began to slip in extra time when West had begun to get on top of the tiring 1981 Ampol Cup winners.

Tim Brown and Ian McGregor had chances to kill City off just before the end of extra time, but failed to add the finishing touches.

— MENO TOUTSIDIS

## Names, schmames, they're all the same!

Dear Gary,

Disregarding your affiliation with "Let's keep it ethnic" Soccer Action for one moment, what is your honest opinion of the ASF marketing idea of a nickname for every PSL club?

P.S. Carn the Warriors!

Firstly let me say that "Soccer Action" never has told me to use ethnic or any other names in my column. Nor does it edit the names of clubs that I have written about.

Therefore what you see in print is the name that comes to mind at the time of writing.

My honest opinion is that a club chooses its own name, and the supporters call the club what they will. After all they do pay for the privilege.

ASF marketing only came up with the idea to try and "Americanise" the game of soccer here further. After all they are the same people who market soccer in the U.S. where we have Fort Lauderdale Strikers, Washington Diplomats and Tampa Bay Rowdies etc. Sounds kind of familiar, doesn't it?

In Europe, England especially, nicknames are usually part of a club's history and were developed by the supporters.

For instance, Arsenal are the Gunners because its players originally came from the local arsenal or gun storage depot.

Chelsea is known as the Pensioners because of the huge war veterans' home just up the road from Stamford Bridge, and of course there are hundreds more nicknames.

The one thing all the British nicknames have in common is that they have come about through the supporters who use the nicknames as a jovial substitute.

In Australian nicknames have been thrust upon clubs who have had their ethnic names removed from them and to many people this is not right.

To me, it really doesn't matter what a club is called but I know at Heidelberg the supporters are very proud of the "Alexander" name tag, the same way that South Melbourne followers are proud of "Hellas" and Adelaide City fans of "Juventus".

One thing is for sure — five or six years ago when Alexander and Melita clashed you would see a crowd of between 10,000 and 15,000. Now you're lucky if you get between 6,000 and 8,000.

The standard of the football has improved but now it's Warriors versus Gunners and the ethnic ties have gone.

It certainly makes you wonder.

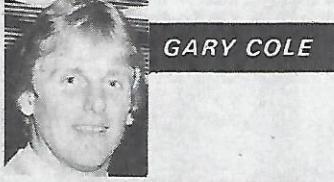
This week Heidelberg plays Preston or Alexander plays Makedonia or the Warriors play the Rams.

If you reorganise your favorite team name then come along to the game because it should be a cracker, oops, I mean a dry biscuit.

What's in a name anyway?

Carn the Warriors!

Any questions?  
Gary Cole will answer them. Write to him C/- Soccer Action, 603 Little Lonsdale Street, Melbourne, Vic.



## Melita E. 1 Manly 1

Scorers: Ferguson (ME), Terry Smith (M).

MELITA: McPherson, McCoy, Daley, Bortolico, Anakudinoff, Ferguson, Williams (all 84'), Jamieson, Anderson, McPherson.

MANLY: Ellis, J. Falconer, Doyle, Ditch, Geoghegan, Noble, Lock, P. Falconer, Noble, Smith 75), Regan, Stuart.

The top of the table clash between Melita and Manly, played on a waterlogged ground at Melita Stadium, showed some surprisingly good soccer. Both sets of players almost ignored the conditions to show what can be done to please the spectators no matter what — rain or shine!

In fact the game lived up to the "top of the table" billing and most people at the ground were quite happy with the result.

There were some voices of "We wuz robbed" from the Manly camp following an incident in the 63rd minute, when Robbie Stuart scored but the goal was disallowed for alleged striking of the goalkeeper.

Stuart took the kick, the ball appeared to have come through the keeper's hands and was slowly trickling over the line when McPherson lunged for it. Stuart came through and scored but after consulting the linesman, the referee awarded a free kick to Melita.

Ten minutes earlier Manly had gone into the lead through the old Sydney City stalwart Terry Smith. A cross by Lock on the left went through many legs before reaching Smith some 10 metres from goal. The old poacher showed he had lost none of his "honest" magic at Francis Park, then driving JM United to Garside Park the home of Parramatta City.

It may sound an excuse for their third loss, but it isn't. They know that they've played badly and deserved to be beaten. Only a week ago they drew with the same side in a deferred Ampol Cup match 0-0. This time JM United took Auburn apart very early in the game to go into a 2-0 lead after only 15 minutes.

Ally Link scored two goals within two minutes, exposing huge gaps in this Auburn defence to set the stage for this comfortable United win.

With five minutes of the game remaining, Doherty exploited Bowman's error to make it 3-0 and the game was all but over.

Auburn came back in the second half and looked like grabbing a point after scoring its first in the 54th, but soon after John caught the Auburn defence napping to score from a counter-attack and make it 4-1 to seal the points.

Yugal 0  
Polonia 0

Scorers: Ferguson (ME), Terry Smith (M).

BLACKTOWN: James, Wheatley, Quarney, Brogan, Painter, Selva, Housseeni, Djuricic, (Pitman 63), Housseeni, Selva.

APIA-LEICHARDT: Woodhouse, Skelton, McAuley, Bradly (De Sagis), Gray, Hughe, Morris, McBreen, Wallace, Butler, Giampolos, (Savvidis), etc.

APIA-LEICHARDT was awarded a penalty in the opening seconds of the game, missed it as well as the rebound, then as if by some touch of the magic wand, Marconi got on top to dominate the game and score five superb goals.

With 29 minutes gone, Duvnjak found Henderson with a great through ball. "Captain Socceroo" quickly crossed for Ian Hunter to flick home the first goal. On the stroke of half time it was Duvnjak again, pushing forward for Henderson to run through and score.

Seconds after the restart, the result was put beyond doubt. Dennis Colusso found Hunter, who cut the ball back into the penalty area for Renato Licata to make it 3-0. A few minutes later, Tony Morsello got his marching orders for retaliation to cap a miserable evening for the APIA-LEICHARDT.

Then a fine counter attack produced a brilliant solo run goal by Renato Licata. Victor Bozanic hit a long ball for Licata to run away from Leichhardt's defenders and beat the advancing keeper.

Hilton Silva scored late in the game to make it 5-0 and

Marconi 5  
APIA 0

Scorers: Licata 2, Hunter, Henderson, Silveira.

MARCONI: Maher, Bozanic, Budini, Calderon, Prakalo, Carbone, Hunter, Colusso, Djuricic, (Pitman 63), Housseeni, Selva.

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Marconi completely out-classed the PSL leader, APIA-LEICHARDT 5-0, with two goals coming from young but talented Renato Licata.

The cup continues tonight (Wednesday), with quarter final games. Two games are already decided, with Marconi and Blacktown qualifying for the semis. Tonight the programme is as follows:

CROATIA — SYDNEY OLYMPIC, MELITA — ST GEORGE.

Blacktown 1  
Wollongong 0

Scorers: Johnston.

BLACKTOWN: James, Wheatley,

Rasmussen, Brogan, Painter, Selva,

Housseeni, Djuricic, (Pitman 63),

WOLLONGONG: Vandareff,

Willis (Mordorak), Bartops, Dunleavy, Ainsworth, Adam, Fontana, (Kerr), Fleming, Cotton, Campbell, O'Connor.

The first quarter-final encounter showed a lot of fire and enthusiasm from both sides, with Blacktown the deserved winner after 90 minutes of play.

With half an hour gone it was Branko Krstic who engineered Blacktown's only goal.

His pin-point pass found Johnston on the edge of the area, a fierce shot followed and the Demons were one up.

Towards the end of the game Blacktown came close to scoring through Jones, first from a cross by Krstic, then from a cross by Kerr.

Johnston scored late in the game to make it 5-0 and

Blacktown 4  
Avala 1

Scorers: Johnston, Schenflug, (Black), Lembryk (A).

BLACKTOWN: James, Wheatley,

Quarney, Brogan, Painter, Selva,

Housseeni, Djuricic, (Pitman 63),

AVALA: Abrahams, J. Fernandez,

Dobert, Barton, Gopic, Peterson,

Williams, Ruiz, Lembryk, Djuricic,

Marinovski, Wissniewski, Dickson,

Tanasevski.

After an convincing win by Blacktown over the Demons in the second place in the State League and well on the way to challenge for honors.

Both sides put on a reasonable show in the wet conditions, with Blacktown obviously the more efficient of the two in the goal scoring department. Johnny Lembryk missed an opening early to pave the way for a few more misses by his team mates.

At the other end of the field the situation was reversed.

After a cross from the right, Paul Kirwan

made it 1-0 and the Demons were well on the way to their second victory. After 22 minutes Peter Jones made it 2-0, then on the stroke of half

time Blacktown's

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## Dockerty returning

Tommy Dockerty is on his way back to Sydney.

Having been sacked by Preston North End some time ago, Dockerty is expected to become manager of his previous club, Sydney Olympic.

The present coach, Doug Collins, should stay on as coach under Dockerty's guidance.

— MENO TOUTSIDIS

Following that goal, Walker hit the crossbar twice within a space of minutes. Canterbury offered very little resistance and only occasionally looked dangerous.

## Bankstown 1 Rockdale 2

Scorers: Wilmet (B), J. Morello, T. Smith (R).

RANKIN: Lembryk, Johnson, Blackburn, Radovac, Jones, Rosey (Back), Drury, Wilmet, Dalton, Stretton, Nocera, Farthing.

ROCKDALE: ILINDEN: Kotzampas, Matheson, O'Rourke, Gravell.

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STATE LEAGUE

MELITA 1 (Farrugia) Manly 1 (T. Smith) at Melita Stadium.

CROATIA 2 (Trenter, Homan, Arman) Sutherland 0 at Tomlins Park.

BLACKTOWN 4 (Jones 2, Kirwan, Scheinfeld, Avala 1 (Lembryk) at Toongabbie.

ROCKDALE 2 (Morsello, Tumtevski, Tumtevski, Bankstown 1 (Wilmet) at Bankstown.

RIVERWOOD 1 (Walker) Canterbury 0 at Arlington.

JM UNITED 4 (Link 2, Doherty, Terry, Jones) Auburn 1 (Sullivan) at Garside Park.

Polonia 0 Yugal 0 at Banks-town.

WILMET 3 (Wong, Lembryk, Berry, Butcher, D. Smith, Coates (Forrester 75), Juchimovich, Treacy, Stodart, Parker, Walker, Jones.

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# Live-in clinics



With the Juniors,  
by FRED BROOKS

Many people have asked me in recent months if there is any chance of running live-in clinics for junior players. Such clinics are held at the University of New England in northern NSW.

After making various enquiries I have found that it is possible to hold such a clinic in January 1983.

The state Director of Coaching, Tim White, is keen on the idea and will bring it up at the coming meeting in Sydney of the different state Directors of Coaching.

Apart from the junior players' clinic it also seems possible that we could hold a Preliminary Coaching Course for junior coaches. Anyone interested in taking such a course, be they junior coaches or players, can contact me on 467 6315 to enable to gauge demand for such a clinic.

Mulgrave will host a series of games against Latrobe Valley's U/12, U/13, U/14 and U/15 representative teams on Sunday April 4.

While on the subject of country soccer, the country championships have been given a boost by Albury-Wodonga's entry this year. This area has many fine junior teams and they will provide stiff competition for all other country associations.

Robin Fitzgerald has been appointed president of the Shropshire Junior Soccer Association.

Already he has selected his coaches for that area's representative squads. Among them is Reno Liu, whose name is synonymous with Victorian soccer and a household name in the Goulburn Valley region.

Fitzgerald and his committee have to cope with a healthy increase in the number of junior players in their area.

Dick and Nance Bosma are two tried and true workers for the advancement of soccer in the Latrobe Valley.

This pair will be all out to win the four country championship trophies up for grabs this year. I wish them well.

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## Mike Lynn seeks club

Fawknor and its successful coach Mike Lynn parted company only a week before the Victorian season started.

Lynn had led Fawknor to promotion from Third to First Division in two successive seasons.

He had a short coaching spell with Albion Rovers a few years earlier, before moving temporarily to Sydney.

Lynn, 32, who holds the senior coaching badge, was a striker with Ringwood-Wilhelmina and Croydon City. He was with Wolverhampton Wanderers in England.

Clubs interested in appointing Lynn may contact him on 341 5368 (work) or 329 0283 (home).

## Need a goalie?

St Albans Dynamo keeper Wally Bryden is seeking a new club.

The former Altona City, Kellar Austria and Kellar City keeper can be contacted, after hours, on 378 2222.

PERFRIMMI Η Ν. ΕΛΛΑΣ 3 - 2 ΤΟ ΕΑΘΑΜ

ΜΕ πέντε παίκτες από την ομάδα των Ιερού Αθηνών, η Ν. ΕΛΛΑΣ έκανε μια δύναμη καλή έμφαση στο σύγχρονο της καλό πρόσωπον την πρώτη την Τσιτάτσα των δύοντον άνδραν σε απόδοση οι Κοντίσι καλ Σορζίδης.

Το Μορντιάλλον έπαιξε με τους Νικόδουλο Καραβασίδη, Λάζαρου, Ράχη, Τσιτάτσα, Σορζίδη, Διαμαντόπουλο (46' Μιχαλόπουλο), Κουτσίσι, Πάπα, Σπαλιάρη, Κακαβούλη (Αναστασιδηνή)

ΠΥΘΑΓΟΡΑΣ - ΜΠΑΤΜΑΝ 2-2

Παρό τον διπλό τον Πυθαγόρας προηγήθηκε έπι τον Μπάτμαν με 2-0 καλ με τέρματα τον διακριθέντον Γιάννη Σάλτη, τελική παρεχώ η έπονη ισοπαλία 2-2.

"Η Β' δύμαδα έφερε ισοπαλία 2-2.

"ΕΛΛΑΣ - ΧΑΚΟΑ" - ΚΡΟΥΟΥΝ Ι-0

Καλύτερη η Ελλας - Χακοα σε δύο σχεδόν το διάστημα της συνάντησης με το Κρούον πήρε δύναμα την πρώτη της νίκη στο πρωτάθλημα τον Σταύρη Λήγη με 1-0. Το μοναδικό τέρμα πέτυχε διαλαφατίδης στο 82'.

Καλύτεροι από την Έλλας ήταν οι Τσιγδαράς, Ιωράδηνος, Κέννα, Γουλάσων και Καλαμπόνη.

"Η συνέσεις: Τσιγδαράς, Τροφικάντε, Μ. Ηταίνη Βισσον, Ιωράδηνος, Κέννα, Γουλάσων, Κέμμιγκ Τ. Ιουνεν, Γουεστερ, Αμπράχαμ '70' Καλαφάτη δημητρίου) Καναντώνης. Ο Καλαμπόνης μπήκε στο 65' για τον Γουέμπτερ.

5-0 ΤΟ ΟΚΑΝ ΣΤΟ ΜΟΥΡΟΥΛΜΠΑΡΚ

Μεγάλη νίκη πέτυχε το Οκάν έπι τον Μούρουλμπαρκ με 5-0.

Το καθαρό αυτό σκόρο τα λέει διλα, δύτι ή δύμαδα τον Όκλη θα είναι καλ φέτος ή πως ταγωνίστρια στο πρωτάθλημα της Δ' κατηγορίας τον Μετροπόλιταν Λήγη.

Το γιόλι πέτυχαν οι Τζετζής 3, Πεχλιβανίδης καλ ένα είς βρόσο τους οι αντίταλοι μετά σύντο τον Τζετζή στο 80'.

Γενικά ή δύμαδα τού Όκλη πήρε δύναμα την νίκη πον λίγη προσοχή θα μπορούσε να ήταν μεγαλύτερη.

Σεχωρίστηκε ο Πέτρου, Στογιάννου, Τζετζής καλ ο καλύτερος τον γηπέδου Παύλος Πεχλιβανίδης.

Το Όκλη έπαιξε με τον Πέτρου, Λουκά, Πεχλιβανίδη, Κριτσάρη, Μπατικιδό, Στογιάννου Γ. Καπτυλάκη, Κοντοκώντα, Παπατσιά (70' Β. Καπτυλάκης), Τζετζής, Στογιάννου (60' Νταντζίλας).

"Η Β' δύμαδα έφερε ισοπαλία 2-2 με τέρματα τον Ληγ Στεφόγιου πον θα έπανελθει συντομα στην τακτική ένδεκαδα.

ΤΟ ΜΑΛΒΕΡ ΣΕ ΝΕΟ ΓΗΠΕΔΟ

"Άπο το Σάββατο 3 Απριλίου 1982 το ΜΑΛΒΕΡ ΣΙΤΥ θα διανιζεται στη καινούργιο γήπεδο πον τον παρεχώρωσε η Δημαρχία τον Μαλβέρ καλ πον είναι στον ίδιο χώρο τον Κονδύλιον Πάρκο. Το δέ γήπεδο το διπλό χρονισμού ποιον θα το έχει σαν βοηθητικό.

"Ο δημαρχός τον Μαλβέρ κάνοντας τα έγκαινια τον νέον πάρκου τούσισ για την δύμαδα τον ποδοσφαίρου Μαλβέρ το διπλό στην τελευταία χρονια σημειώνει έπιτυχα.

TA NEA TON OMADON MAS  
APO TO SHMEO TOY  
ΠΕΝΑΛΤΥ

ΚΑΛΗ Η ΕΜΠΑΝΙΣΗ ΤΟΥ ΜΟΡΝΤΙΑΛΛΟΚ  
ΠΑΙΖΟΝΤΑΣ έπι τον έδρας το Μορντιάλλο με το έσχυρο Ρίνγουντ, πήρε ισοπαλία 2-2 με τα δύο δυνατά γάντια.

"Η Ελληνική μας δύμαδα πήρε φέτος τα πάζει στην Β' κατηγορία τον Μετροπόλιταν Λήγη προηγήθηκε δύο φορές στο σκόρο. Στο διπλό τον Κοντίσι άλλα οι γηπεδούχοι ισοφέρισαν στο 20' για να πετύχει καλ δεύτερο τέρμα το Σπαίρες στο 35'.

ΜΕ την δύμαδα δέν διαγωνίσθηκε ο τραυματίας Τερζάκης.

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